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Campus Express Opens With Expanded Products, Services

Freshen's, SubConnection Find New Home Within

The old adage that "If we don't have it, you don't need it" may now be true for the Campus Express, which opens Saturday in its new location on the main level of Angell College Center.

Although it has taken a semester longer than anticipated, Jerry DeCelle, director of the College Store, said students should like what they find within the new Campus Express.

"We did a survey of students about two years ago asking what they wanted. They said they wanted more grocery items, health and beauty aids, a variety of services including shipping and color copying, and several other things. We have those services now all in one convenient location," said DeCelle.

The store, which has nearly tripled in size from its existing 820 square foot retail location in Saranac Hall to 2,400 square feet, will provide adequate space for a UPS shipping center, check cashing, an ATM and color and black and white duplicating services. It will also house Freshen's, SubConnection and Fresh Express, which will be operated by Sodexho Campus Services.

Patrick Spellman, Sodexho Campus Services manager, said, "It is great to get Freshen's and SubConnection back in operation. We hope the students will also find the new location easy for them."



Campus Express Manager Pam Neverett and College Store Director Jerry DeCelle stand in the convenience store's new location in Angell College Center.

The move to the Angell College Center was made possible after the Book Nook was moved to the College Store and Java Jo's was relocated adjacent to Flynt Commons on the second floor of the center in spring 2003.

With the relocation of Campus Express, the College

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Plattsburgh State Gospel Choir Travels to Japan

Singing in Japan at Christmastime is now a memory for 28 members of the Plattsburgh State Gospel Choir.

The choir spent eight days at the end of December through New Year's participating in workshops and concerts in Tokyo.

"This trip clearly illustrated that no matter the language, gospel music has the power and authority to reach everyone," said Dr. Dexter Criss, assistant professor of chemistry and the choir's musical director. "I will never forget the tears shed and how the many crowds cheered as we sang, danced and shared."

The choir's journey to Japan was coordinated through Ron Rucker Gospel Ministries. Rucker is a gospel music legend in Japan and his daughter, Etsuko, is a member of the Plattsburgh State Gospel

Choir. Rucker produces these workshops to introduce and teach various elements of gospel music including voice, piano and dance.

Criss taught an advanced gospel piano course, while accounting student Quinten Nichols, from Far Rockaway, N.Y., taught praise dance and junior biology/pre-med major Richard Elicier, from Jamaica, N.Y., taught step dance. The workshops were held in Tokyo and concluded with a concert on Dec. 30 at the Tokyo Central Church.

"During one of our step team workshops, a Japanese student told me that the workshop experience was the best memory she had in 2003," said Elicier. "Her comment touched my heart because I was able to feel her

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Plattsburgh Students in Canada on Killam Fellowships

Two Plattsburgh State students are studying in Canada this academic year on prestigious Killam Fellowship Awards for undergraduate students while a Canadian student from Cambridge, Ont. is studying here.

Kevin Ferguson of Minoa, N.Y. is studying at Dalhousie University in Halifax, Nova Scotia while Lindsey Jakiel, of Williamsville, N.Y. is studying at York University in Toronto, Ont. Melissa Ringer, a freshman biochemistry student at Mount Allison University in Sackville, New Brunswick is spending her year here in Plattsburgh.

Dr. Michael K. Hawes, executive director of the Foundation for Educational Exchange between Canada and the United States, said Ferguson and Jakiel were two of the first group of students selected to receive Killam Fellowships.

"They are both exceptional young students who will be excellent representatives of the United States while studying in Canada," said Hawes.

The 2003-2004 academic year marks the inaugural year of the Killam Fellowships Program, which was created through a partnership between the Foundation for Educational Exchange between Canada and the United States (The Canada - U.S. Fulbright Program) and the American Killam-Rodgers Trusts.

Ferguson, a junior majoring in Canadian studies, said he was excited for the opportunity to immerse himself in a new culture, to experience first hand the Maritime provinces and to visit places, which he has

learned about in his Canadian studies courses.

Jakiel, a senior majoring in speech communications and Canadian studies, said she was enthusiastic about the opportunity to experience Canadian culture first hand and learn about international issues from a new perspective.

Contacted by email, Jakiel responded, "My course work includes: Encounters of Islam and Modernity, Canadian Government and Politics, Diplomacy, Gender and International Relations (IR), IR Theory, Africa: Politics of Continental Crisis, and Language and Gender."

Jakiel said she would recommend the Killam Fellowship Program because of the increased time spent at a Canadian university. "If I had left York after one term, I would not have fully experienced all York can offer, because it took me the whole first term to adjust to being at such a large university."

The program provides exceptional students from select universities in Canada and the United States with the opportunity to attend college in the other country for one semester or one year of their undergraduate career.

It is the foundation's belief that a greater understanding between Canada and the United States will occur by engaging the brightest minds and identifying future leaders through academic exchange.

More information on the Killam Fellowships Program is available on-line at www.killamfellowships.com

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emotions, and I knew that what I taught her would be with her for the rest of her life."

The trip was funded primarily by the individual choir members, the choir and other funds from the Student Association, Plattsburgh State, City of Plattsburgh and other individuals. Fund raising was successful through the sales of their CD, performances, raffles, car washes and donations.

In addition to the Plattsburgh State Gospel Choir, the Toronto University Gospel Choir brought 36 of its members. The total number of Japanese participants was more than 300 people.

"The Plattsburgh State Gospel Choir performed in front of about 2,500 people in four separate concerts," said Criss. "The choir members truly enjoyed the trip, and, I, for one, was happy to be apart of this trip with the students. They represented Plattsburgh State in a positive way. With its song, the choir touched the spirit of the Japanese people."

International business major Rosite George, from the Commonwealth of Dominica and a member of the choir, said that it was a thrill for her to be with the choir, singing in Japan.

"The most memorable experience for me was the main concert at Tokyo Central Church," said George.



Criss taught an advanced gospel piano course while in Tokyo, Japan during winter break.

"Toward the end of the concert, for the farewell song, there was such an outpouring of the Holy Spirit that I believe every member of our choir, and in fact everyone in the building, was moved. It was a phenomenal way to end the year."

Dr. Jerome Supple, Former Academic Affairs V.P., Dead at 67

Dr. Jerome Supple, former Plattsburgh State administrator and retired president of Texas State University, died Friday (Jan. 16) after a long battle with cancer. He was 67.

Dr. Supple came to Plattsburgh State as vice president for academic affairs in 1978, a job he enjoyed for the next 10 years. He had tenure in the chemistry department and taught chemistry for several semesters.

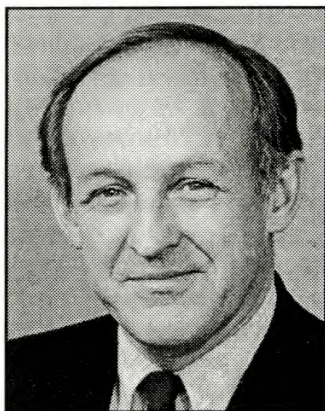
Supple also served as acting president of Plattsburgh State from August to December 1981 while then-president Dr. Joseph Burke was on sabbatical leave in Italy. He also served as acting president again in 1986 when Burke left to become provost of SUNY. His second time as acting president was short-lived when he decided to apply for the permanent position. SUNY required him to return to his vice president post.

Bob Garrow, chair of the College Council, said he thought very highly of Supple. "We really got to know each other through sports. I played basketball with him during the noon-hour basketball program that they had for faculty. I got to like him very much. In fact, I even encouraged him at the time to apply for the presidency when Joe Burke left."

While serving as vice president for academic affairs at Plattsburgh State, Supple was granted a leave to serve as acting provost at SUNY Potsdam for one year in July 1988. Prior to returning to Plattsburgh State from that assignment, he resigned his position in March 1989 and became the eighth president of Texas State University-San Marcos, formerly Southwest Texas State University. He served in that capacity until his retirement in August 2002.

During his presidency, Texas State: raised admission standards several times, making it one of the most selective public universities in the state; improved student retention from 57 percent to 75 percent; established several new enrollment records; and began offering its first doctoral degree programs in geography and education and laid the groundwork for doctoral proposals in other academic fields.

He successfully oversaw completion of the univer-



Supple

sity's first major gifts capital campaign, raising more than \$74 million in the process and the opening of several new buildings, including the Science Building (recently renamed the Jerome H. and Catherine E. Supple Science Building).

Dr. Thomas Moran, director of Plattsburgh State's Institute for Ethics, worked as Supple's assistant vice president in the academic affairs office. Moran said Supple continued to keep in contact with the college community even after he left.

"He loved it here and maintained friendships over the years, but he flourished in Texas," Moran said.

Don Garratt, member of the College Council and former vice president for institutional advancement, said Supple was a wonderful human being and a fine administrator.

"He was such a nice person, and he always had an affinity for Plattsburgh. He was very well liked in the community, and he got right out there. He really helped the college," said Garratt.

Dr. Douglas Skopp, distinguished professor of history, served one year as associate vice president for academic affairs under Supple. He said Supple provided consistently thoughtful, creative and positive leadership during his career at Plattsburgh.

"With his invariable good humor, his twinkling eyes and smile, his genuine interest in others' welfare and flourishing, and his impeccable integrity, our faculty, staff and students all had an ideal administrator, colleague and champion. We are a better place for him having been here," said Skopp.

A funeral mass will be recited at 11 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 23 at Incarnation Catholic Church in Melrose, Mass. Burial will follow at Lakeview Cemetery in Hampstead, N.H. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Gately Funeral Home, 79 W Foster St., Melrose, Mass.

The family has requested that, in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be made to the Texas State Development Foundation for the Supple Endowment for Southwestern Studies, the Central Texas Medical Center Foundation or the Hays-Caldwell Women's Center.

He is survived by his wife, Catherine, son James and his wife Karlyn and grandson Keagan of Exeter, N.H.; son Andrew of Greensboro, N.C.; son Paul of Austin, Texas; his sister and brother-in-law Colette and George Maguire, his 10 nephews and nieces and 14 great nephews and nieces.

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Store will now gain much needed additional space for its operation in Saranac Hall. Plans call for renovations to the bookstore which will result in a new and expanded location for the Book Nook, additional hours and more selection.

A grand opening of the facility will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 11 with many special giveaways and

vendor promotions that week.

Hours for Campus Express are: Monday - Thursday, 7:30 a.m. - midnight; Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.; and Sunday, 11 a.m. - midnight. Chicken wings, pan pizzas, mozzarella cheese sticks and Philly cheese steak sandwiches are some of the exciting items on the late night menu.

Ames Named Affirmative Action Officer

Dr. Lynda Ames, professor of sociology, has been named Affirmative Action Officer for Plattsburgh State.

Among her duties, Ames will monitor faculty and staff searches by working collaboratively with Human Resources to ensure that individuals and groups participating in the search process are provided an appropriate level of training and direction regarding issues such as advertising, approval of candidate pools, non-traditional candidate sources and interviewing requirements and protocol. She will also be responsible for maintaining and updating the campus Affirmative Action Plan, managing the SUNY Internal Discrimination Grievance Procedure for the campus and assisting the campus Affirmative Action Advisory Committee.

"I'm absolutely looking forward to it," said Ames. "It's a new challenge for me in an area I believe in strongly."



Ames

Since joining the faculty in 1991, Ames has previously served in a number of capacities in addition to her role as a professor, including chair of the Sociology Department, acting director of the Women's Studies Program and chair of the Affirmative Action Advisory Committee.

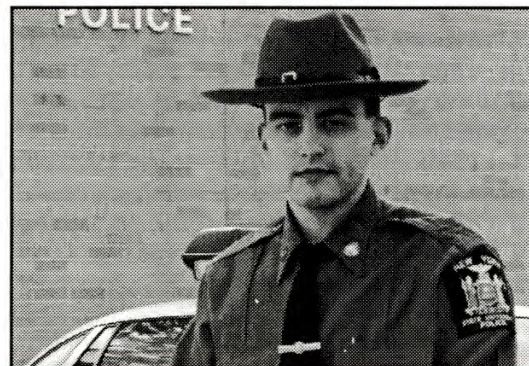
"Much of my professional career, and my volunteer work too, has been taken up with issues of gender and race in the workplace," said Ames. "I know the issues and the research literature. Affirmative Action is an important tool to help us reduce the significance gender and race have had in hiring, training, promotion and retention. This role allows me to continue that work and serve the College."

Ames said that she has a few goals as Affirmative Action Officer.

"First, I think we, as a College, need to carry on some conversations about the role of affirmative action in the search process. We won't all agree, but we should understand what our legal and ethical obligations are. The Affirmative Action Advisory Committee is being re-established to help do this work," said Ames.

New Police Officer Appointed

University Police has a new police officer. He is Erich Pflanz originally from Utica. Pflanz was appointed in August 2003 and recently completed training at Mohawk Valley Community College in Utica. He has ten weeks of field training to complete and will then officially graduate. With his appointment, Chief Arlene Sabo has nine sworn police officers, three lieutenants and an assistant chief who are responsible for the prevention of crime, the enforcement of state and local laws and college rules and regulations here at Plattsburgh State. Pflanz replaced Officer Thomas Sullivan who resigned to pursue a career in the private sector.



Students Listed in Latest Edition of Who's Who

Twenty-one Plattsburgh State students are now listed in the 2004 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. Students are selected based on their academic achievement, service to the community and leadership on campus.

They join an elite group of students from more than 2,300 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since it was first published in 1934.

Senior or master's students named this year from Plattsburgh State are: **Gwen Alowitz**, a graduate

student in education from Troy, N.Y.; **Marcia Blackmoore**, a cellular biochemistry major from Brooklyn, N.Y.; **Sara Carlson**, a business major from Albany, N.Y.; **Justin Elmendorf**, a mass media major from Nanuet, N.Y.; **Bernicia Etienne**, a biology major from Dominica; **Ashley Gambino**, a communication disorders and science major from Cortlandt Manor, N.Y.; **Tushar Gogia**, from Dubai, United Arab Emirates; **Julie Hegmann**, an English major from Rock Tavern, N.Y.; **Derek Hess**, a political science and psychology major from Valatie, N.Y.; **Cory Hye**, an education major from Saratoga Springs, N.Y.; **Randi Johnson**, an education major from

Saugerites, N.Y.; **Alison Jones**, a graduate education student from Northville, N.Y.; **Amber Kline**, a child care management major from Hudson, N.Y.; **Lyndelle Lebruin**, a chemistry major from Dominica; **Lori McCaffrey**, an anthropology major from Hamburg, N.Y.; **Murtaza Meghji**, a computer science major from Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania; **Shereida Muthra**, a biology major from White Plains, N.Y.; **Nicholas Pepe**, a education major from Keene, N.Y.; **Jerome Rao**, a psychology major from Elmhurst, N.Y.; **Marvelle Roberts**, a mathematics major from Dominica; and **Alba Struga**, an international business major from Elbasan, Albania.

Dr. Alexis Levitin Receives NEA Grant for Translation

Dr. Alexis Levitin has received a National Endowment for the Arts Translation Fellowship to continue work on the poetry of Sophia de Mello Breyner Andresen and Herberto Helder.

This award for \$10,000 was one of 11 such NEA awards granted in the year 2003. This was Levitin's second NEA Translation Fellowship, the first having supported his work on the poetry of Eugenio de Andrade.

Levitin also participated in a translation residency Aug. 17 through Sept. 8 at the Banff International Literary Translation Center during the first year of this new program's existence. This newly established center marks the first time that there has been a translation center in North America.

Through writing and giving readings, Levitin had a very busy year during 2003. He gave readings all over the country as well as internationally, including Rutgers University, The University of Alberta, University of Florida, Auburn University and University of Sao Paulo in Brazil.

He had numerous publications in 2003 including his 10th volume of Eugenio de Andrade poems in the book, *Forbidden Words: The Selected Poetry of Eugenio de Andrade*. This work was the culmination of nearly 25 years of collaboration between Levitin and the author.

Dr. Gary Brannigan Updates Psychological Test in New Book

Originally published in 1938 by Lauretta Bender, M.D., the Bender Visual-Motor Gestalt Test is one of the most widely used psychological test in the past half century.

Dr. Gary Brannigan has recently updated this classic assessment tool in his new book, *Bender Visual-Motor Gestalt Test, Second Edition (Bender-Gestalt II)*, published by the Riverside Publishing Company.

"This is, by far, the largest and most significant research project of my career," said Brannigan, senior author on the project. "It is the first major revision of one of the earliest tests in psychology/psychiatry."

Appropriate for ages 4 to 85+ years, the Bender-Gestalt II test is a reliable tool to assess visual-motor development, which provides useful information for preschool screening as well as geriatric assessment. The test also provides validity information for Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, mental retardation, gifted, learning disabilities, autism and Alzheimer's Disease.

The Bender-Gestalt II consists of a series of stimulus cards, each displaying a unique figure. The individual is asked to draw each figure as he or she observes it. The complete Bender-Gestalt II project includes new test materials, examiners manual, test forms and supplementary tests, which provide a new era for the clinical, diagnostic and research tool.

Spotlight on faculty and staff

Jessica Butts, health educator, and **Dr. Kathleen Camelo**, director of the Student Health Center, attended the New York State College Health Association/ New England College Health Association

Biannual Conference in Saratoga, N.Y. last fall. Butts also attended the California Consortium Against Sexual Assault Conference in Atlanta, Ga., also last fall. Dr. Camelo presented a lecture titled, "Smallpox and Bioterrorism" at the fall SUNY Police Chief's Conference in Buffalo, N.Y.

Dr. George Flynn, professor of mathematics and physics, wrote the article, "The origin of organic matter in the solar system: Evidence from the interplanetary dust particles," published in *Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta*,

the journal of The Geochemical Society and The Meteoritical Society.

Stephen Matthews, assistant to the vice president of student affairs and judicial coordinator, and **Arlene Sabo**, chief of University Police, co-instructed a sexual harassment training program for employees at SUNY Canton last fall.

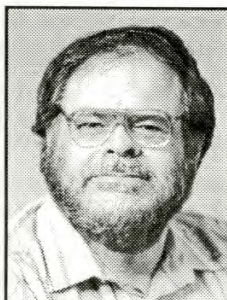
Larry Mills, executive director of human resources, has been appointed president-elect of the SUNY Human Resources Association.



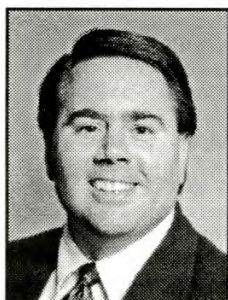
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FOCUS Calendar Friday, Jan. 23 - Sunday, Feb. 8

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

FRIDAY, JAN. 23

8 a.m. Planning Days Meeting, sponsored by Provosts Office. Yokum Room 200.

8 a.m. International Student Orientation, sponsored by International Student Services. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

6 p.m. International Student Orientation, sponsored by International Student Services. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

SATURDAY, JAN. 24

1 p.m. German Placement Exam. Yokum Hall 201.

1 p.m. French Placement Exam. Yokum Hall 208.

1 p.m. Spanish Placement Exam. Yokum Room 200.

2:15 p.m. English Placement Exam. Yokum Room 200.

3 p.m. Math Placement Exam. Yokum Hall 208.

10 p.m. PSU Late Night, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

SUNDAY, JAN. 25

1:30 p.m. Plattsburgh State Public Ice Skating, sponsored by the Department of Sports and Wellness. Admission is \$2 for the public, \$1 PSU faculty, staff and students with ID. Skate rentals available at the same rates. Field House Stafford Ice Arena.

MONDAY, JAN. 26

6 p.m. Writing Walk In, sponsored by Learning Center. Feinberg Library 103F.

TUESDAY, JAN. 27

12:30 p.m. EOP Orientation Meeting. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meetings. Angell Center Meeting Room 1.

6 p.m. Writing Walk In, sponsored by Learning Center. Feinberg Library 103F.

9 p.m. Interfraternity Council Meeting. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

9 p.m. S.A. Finance Board Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 28

11 a.m. NYS Trooper Information Table. Angell College Center Lobby 7.

11:30 a.m. Child Care Board Meeting, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services Office. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

5:30 p.m. AMA Course - How to Manage Conflict, sponsored by Center for Lifelong Learning. Hudson Hall 106.

6 p.m. Writing Walk In, sponsored by Learning Center. Feinberg Library 103F.

7 p.m. Jedi Dance Club Meeting. Angell Center Meeting Room 1.

10 p.m. S.A. Senate Meetings. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

THURSDAY, JAN. 29

11 a.m. NYS Trooper Information Table. Angell College Center Lobby 7.

1:30 p.m. Academic Probation Meeting, sponsored by Academic Advising Department. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

2 p.m. Meet the Greeks, sponsored by Panhellenic Council. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

6 p.m. Writing Walk In, sponsored by Learning Center. Feinberg Library 103F.

9 p.m. S.A. Finance Board Meeting. Angell Center Meeting Rm 8.

FRIDAY, JAN. 30

4 p.m. ODK Meeting, sponsored by Omicron Delta Kappa. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

6 p.m. Writing Walk In, sponsored by Learning Center. Feinberg Library 103F.

6 p.m. Phi Mu Delta Council Meeting, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

8 p.m. Comedian -- Eric O'Shea, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

10 p.m. Old School Party, sponsored by O.W.E.. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

SATURDAY, JAN. 31

8 a.m. Phi Mu Delta Meetings, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

2 p.m. CDPI Film Series and WRAP Session, "Kissing Jessica Stein," sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

4:30 p.m. Womens Basketball Alumni Reception, sponsored by Sport & Wellness. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

8 p.m. Adirondack Wind Ensemble Performance, directed by Dan Gordon, sponsored by the Music Department. Tickets: \$ 2 SA Members, \$6 General Admission, on sale at the door only. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

10 p.m. PSU Late Night. Angell Center Warren Ballrooms.

SUNDAY, FEB. 1

8 a.m. Phi Mu Delta Colonization Ceremony, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell Center Warren Ballrooms.

9 a.m. S.A. Senate Orientation. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

10:30 a.m. Phi Mu Delta Retreat, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

1 p.m. Panhellenic Goal-Setting Retreat. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

MONDAY, FEB. 2

9 a.m. Traumatic Brain Injury Workshop, sponsored by CAS and the NYS Traumatic Brain Injury Association. Registration is through the TBI Association. Angell Center Warren Ballrooms.

6 p.m. Writing Walk In, sponsored by Learning Center. Feinberg Library 103F.

TUESDAY, FEB. 3

11 a.m. CVPH Blood Drive, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

4:30 p.m. Tuesday Reflections, presents Carrie Fesette, AIDS Council of Northeastern NY, speaking on "Women Living with HIV." Sponsored by the Women's Studies Program with assistance from CAS. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

5 p.m. Gamma Sigma Alpha Inductions, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

6 p.m. Writing Walk In, sponsored by Learning Center. Feinberg Library 103F.

9 p.m. S.A. Finance Board Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 4

5:30 p.m. AMA Course - How to Manage Conflict, sponsored by Center for Lifelong Learning. Hudson Hall 106.

6 p.m. Writing Walk In, sponsored by Learning Center. Feinberg Library 103F.

7 p.m. "Andrea's Voice", An Eating Disorders Awareness Program. Sponsored by the Center for Student Health and psychological Services. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

10 p.m. S.A. Senate Meetings. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

THURSDAY, FEB. 5

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

6 p.m. Writing Walk In, sponsored by Learning Center.

Feinberg Library 103F.

7 p.m. Greek Week Planning Committee, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

7 p.m. Peer Educators Meeting, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

9 p.m. S.A. Finance Board Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

FRIDAY, FEB. 6

6 p.m. Writing Walk In, sponsored by Learning Center. Feinberg Library 103F.

8 p.m. Pendragon Theatre Residency, "Romeo and Juliet" by William Shakespeare. 8:00 p.m. Tickets for Plattsburgh State Students available at the College Center Desk for \$2. Tickets for all others available only at the door the evening of the performance. Box office will open 40 minutes before the performance. General \$10, Faculty/Staff/Seniors/other Students \$7. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

SATURDAY, FEB. 7

8 a.m. ODK High School Emerging Leaders Conference, sponsored by Omicron Delta Kappa. Angell College Center.

7 p.m. Spades Tournament, sponsored by O.W.E.. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. Pendragon Theatre Residency, "Romeo and Juliet" by William Shakespeare. 8:00 p.m. Tickets for Plattsburgh State Students available at the College Center Desk for \$2. Tickets for all others available only at the door the evening of the performance. Box office will open 40 minutes before the performance. General \$10, Faculty/Staff/Seniors/other Students \$7. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

10 p.m. Welcome Back Party, sponsored by El Pueblo. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

10 p.m. PSU Late Night, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

SUNDAY, FEB. 8

3 p.m. I Musici de Montreal Concert, Tickets available after Jan 27th at the Angell College Center Desk or at the door. General \$ 15, Faculty/Staff/Seniors/Students \$12, Plattsburgh State Students \$5. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

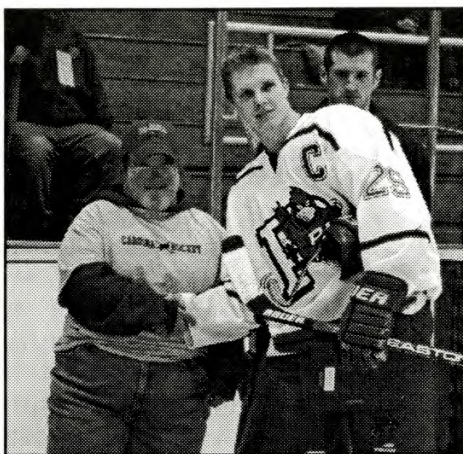
Athletic Teams Honored for Support of Down Syndrome Buddy Walk

It seems every year Tracy Rotz is more and more happy with the turnout at the annual Down Syndrome Buddy Walk in Plattsburgh.

"We have been doing the walk here in Clinton County for the past six years," Rotz, president of the North Country Down Syndrome Association, said. "This year we set another record for participation with over 600 walkers."

Members of the Plattsburgh State community including over 100 student-athletes are part of the reason for the continued success of the fund raising and awareness-raising event that took place on September 21.

Members of the Plattsburgh State baseball and men's hockey team have been involved in the event for the past two years and this year the basketball and lacrosse teams joined in as well. The athletes, coupled with the rest of the Plattsburgh State community, com-



Rob Retter, captain of the men's ice hockey team, thanks Angela LaBombard for the plaque the team received for its support of the Buddy Walk. Joe Light, baseball captain (behind), also received a plaque on behalf of his team's efforts.

bined to make up nearly 20 percent of the walkers.

At a recent home hockey game

at Stafford Ice Arena, recognition plaques were presented to Rob Retter, captain of the men's hockey team, and Joe Light, captain of the men's baseball team, as well as a plaque for the entire staff of the Department of Sport and Wellness for their continued support of the cause.

Helping to make the presentation during the first intermission of the men's hockey game against Williams College on Jan. 13 were Angela LaBombard, Brett Rotz and Matt Thompson, three youngsters with Down Syndrome who participated in the one-mile walk.

"This is our only major fund raising event of the year," Rotz said. "We raised over \$18,000 with the walk but the most important part of the event is the education. Everyone who participates learns about Down Syndrome and that is our main goal - to make more people aware."

Visual Artist Series Kicks Off Feb. 9

The Visual Artist Series at Plattsburgh State kicks off the spring semester with a presentation by painter Ken Leslie on Monday, Feb. 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cardinal Lounge, Angell College Center.

Leslie is a professor of fine arts and chairs the Visual Arts Center at Johnson State College in Vermont where he has taught painting and drawing since 1984. He has received numerous honors and awards for his work, including visual artist fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Vermont Arts Council.

"After staring at more than 500 years of history of painting on rectangles, several years ago I escaped to painting circles," said Leslie. "I have used the circular composition to explore issues of time and space. As the work took on a sequential narrative, I began folding the paintings into various book forms. I have since specialized in making limited edition and one-of-a-kind artist's books."

His exploration of time and space has taken him to several residencies on the Arctic Circle, including Akureyri, Iceland and Kotzebue, Alaska. His most recent artist's book, *Space + Time*, was published by Nexus Press, part of the Atlanta Contemporary Arts Center.

Leslie, who holds a Master's of Fine Arts from the University of Pennsylvania, will present his books along with other associated works during his visit to Plattsburgh State.

Dixon Inducted into Hall of Fame

The head women's basketball, soccer and softball coach at Clinton Community College will be inducted into the Cardinal Sports Hall of Fame at Plattsburgh State on Friday, Jan. 30 at 4 p.m. in the Sports Hall of Fame exhibit area located in Memorial Hall.

Donna Dixon '98, who played basketball in a Cardinal uniform at Plattsburgh State from 1985 to 1989, scored 1,417 points in her Cardinal career and was a powerhouse on the court.

As a member of the women's basketball team, Dixon won several conference awards. She was named to the SUNYAC first team all four years she played.

At the end of the 1987-88 season, Dixon was named SUNYAC Player of the Year. She had a total of 389 rebounds and holds the single-season scoring record of 422 points. Dixon also played one year for the Cardinal Soccer Team.

In addition to holding a bachelor's degree, Dixon is currently working on her master's in administration and leadership at Plattsburgh State.

She is the head women's basketball, soccer and softball coach at Clinton Community College. Prior to her coaching positions, Dixon was an admissions advisor at the community college as well as an instructor teaching courses on racquetball, physical fitness and golf.

The induction ceremony and reception are open to the public.

Career Development Center Offers New Services

The Plattsburgh State Career Development Center (CDC) is always looking for new ways to improve, or add on to, resources. This year is no exception.

The CDC has again instituted new and improved programming in an effort to better serve the students and alumni of Plattsburgh State.

One recent addition to the center is an online career resource library known as "Vault." CDC Director Carolyn Delcore said that Vault is considered by many to be the best program of its type. Vault offers a collection of more than 60 career guides and employer profiles and an extensive free job board with thousands of job openings. Vault was added to the electronic resources of the CDC, which includes the job listing service "Monstertrak," and "Pinpoint," a computer-based career guidance system.

Pinpoint is an important part of a joint effort with the Office of Academic Advising to aid students who have not declared a major. The trial program, which was put into place during the fall semester, will continue to be monitored throughout the academic year.

"There are a variety of reasons why students choose to be undeclared," said Delcore. "We want to make sure they know what resources are available to them during this exploratory period. We want them to take advantage of the special opportunities available to them, which includes having a career counselor as well as an advisor."

Delcore said that there are currently 122 students participating in the trial program.

In addition to new programming, the list of potential employers at the Student Employment Services (SES) branch of the CDC continues to increase.

For 12 years, the SES has helped students find part-time or seasonal jobs in the community and beyond, as well as temporary service jobs on campus.

Senior Career Counselor Barbara Barry said that

last year alone there were 265 off-campus employers listed, and that approximately 300 students got jobs in the community through SES's services.

"Although winter is the slowest time of the year, there are still several on- and off-campus jobs available," said Barry.

She also believes that the program has many other useful functions besides helping students find jobs.

Barry said, "Since many of our students come from other parts of the state, this is a way to get them acquainted with the local employment scene. Plus, students have found that part-time jobs help them to develop new skills and clarify their work preferences."

As new resources are added the CDC will continue to bring students and alumni all of the same programs they offered in past semesters.

The Center will provide a series of workshops on such topics as: Resume and Cover Letter Writing, Conducting an Effective Job Search, Considering Graduate School, and Interviewing Effectively.

These workshops are offered on a regular basis, but appointments can be made for a classroom or one-on-one setting.

In addition, the CDC will maintain credential files, conduct mock interviews and continue a Resource Center Library with information on careers and employers.

The staff members at the CDC remain dedicated to supporting educational and career opportunities of Plattsburgh State's students and alumni.

"There probably aren't that many things in life more important than one's choice of a career," said Delcore. "We encourage students to approach it deliberately and conscientiously. It's not a hard sell once you stop and think about it. We just want to make sure that people think about it sooner rather than later." -- by Mike Coulter, Communications Intern

Peer Facilitators to Offer Unique Service to Students

A pilot program is underway to help students via other students through peer facilitators. These facilitators will be specially trained by the academic advising staff in the areas of institutional policies, procedures, academic and career resources and successful academic behaviors.

The peer facilitators will train for a semester with mentors in the Office of Academic Advising and will have the opportunity to complete a one-credit practicum in peer facilitation.

The facilitators will be obliged to share their knowledge and awareness during designated hours in the residence halls, Angell College Center and the academic advising office, as well as informally while interacting with their peers.

Last semester, 15 students were invited to a pizza luncheon hosted by the academic advising office (above). During lunch, these students were told about



the peer facilitator program and encouraged to participate in the spring semester training.

Academic advising intends to establish a pool of at least 10 peer facilitators for the coming fall semester.

The Office of Academic Advising extends sincere appreciation to Bryan Hartman, director of residence life, and Wayne Duprey, executive director of College Auxiliary Services, for their donations and support of the peer facilitator program.

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Chancellor Recommends Dr. John Ettling for President

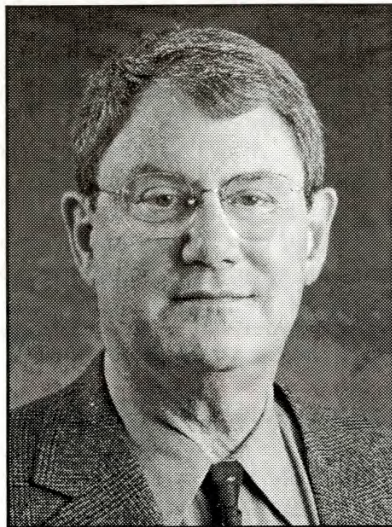
State University of New York Chancellor Robert L. King announced he would recommend Dr. John Ettling, a Harvard-educated historian, to be the permanent president of Plattsburgh State.

Ettling currently holds the position of vice president for academic affairs and provost of the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks.

"I am very pleased to forward the name of John Ettling to the Board of Trustees for consideration," said King. "Ettling is an accomplished and experienced educator, scholar and administrator, who understands the role a president must play on and off campus. It is my expectation he will be an effective leader in the greater Plattsburgh community."

"I am confident the Board will also recognize his talents and experience in the realm of higher education."

Ettling holds a doctorate and master's degrees from Harvard. As an undergraduate, he earned a history degree and graduated summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from the honors program in the history department at the University of Virginia.



Dr. John Ettling

As an administrator at the University of North Dakota, Ettling was dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and interim vice president for academic affairs and provost. Previously, he was associate dean of the Honors College of the University of Houston and was chair of the history department.

Ettling also holds an appointment as a professor in the history department at the University of North Dakota and regularly teaches undergraduate courses. He was also a member of the faculty of the University of Houston's history department and the Honors College.

"I am very pleased and grateful Chancellor King has recommended me to the Board of Trustees," said Ettling. "The College at Plattsburgh is a wonderful institution of higher education located in a very supportive community and it would be a great honor to lead the campus. I look forward to meeting with the Board of Trustees and hope they look favorably on my nomination."

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Plattsburgh State Establishes Institute on Québec Studies

Plattsburgh State formally announced the establishment of the Institute on Québec Studies within the Center for the Study of Canada on Tuesday, Feb. 3.

Dr. John Clark, interim president at Plattsburgh State, said that the Institute will offer a wide range of comprehensive curriculum, research and program initiatives focused on Québec.

"A hallmark of the Center for the Study of Canada at Plattsburgh State has long been its consistent attention to Québec," said Clark. "It is therefore only reasonable that

Plattsburgh State should be the first institution of higher learning in the United States to conceive and launch such a significant initiative. We are very pleased to be out front in this effort."

Dr. Christopher Kirkey, director of the Center for the Study of Canada, underscored his delight with the emergence of the Institute.

"There is a recognized need in all circles for this program, not only in New York, but across the country," said Kirkey.

"The Institute will prove to be the uncontested leader in providing

dynamic educational opportunities and business programming on Québec. When people in the U.S. think Québec, they will first and foremost think of the Institute on Québec Studies at Plattsburgh State."

Dr. Donald Cuccioletta, a faculty member in Canadian Studies, will serve as interim managing director. Cuccioletta said that the primary mission of the Institute will be to demonstrate through courses and various outreach programs how

(See Quebec, Page 2)

Plattsburgh State Loses Two Colleagues

Former Staff Member, Professor Emeritus of Nursing

Erwin L. "Joe" Bornstein, a long-time member of the Plattsburgh State Career Development Center who retired in 2001 after 12 years of service to the campus, died Jan. 25 at the age of 82.

Bornstein, the college's cooperative education job developer, worked with staff throughout the years and helped develop careers for many Plattsburgh State alumni.

Interim President John Clark, said, "While I did not know Joe Bornstein personally as a friend, I have heard from many individuals how important he was in establishing careers for many of our graduates. Our condolences go out to his family and friends."

Carolyn Delcore, director of the Career Development Center, said, "Hands down he was the best

ambassador the college ever had. He bragged about the students, he bragged about the college, and he meant every word of it. He cared about the people in the office and especially the students. He would move heaven and earth to help someone, and he knew how to make things happen."

Contributions in his memory may be made to the Plattsburgh College Foundation to help support student internships.

Theresa Joan Herlihy, professor emeritus of nursing, died Jan. 22, 2004 at the age of 92.

Herlihy was a graduate of Newcomb Central School prior to relocating to East Greenbush, N.Y. She received certificates and degrees in nursing education, teaching and social work including two master's

degrees from Smith College and Columbia University of Public Health, where she later was a member of the faculty. She also held faculty positions at Russell Sage College and Plattsburgh.

Herlihy served with the American Red Cross in military hospitals during World War II and was Director of Family Counseling for United Mine Workers Hospitals in Ky. and W.Va. and was published in the *American Journal of Public Health* as a result of this experience.

She was a social work consultant to several nursing homes and was a volunteer in gerontology research at Albany Medical School.

Her interests and work had taken her throughout the US, Japan, China, the Philippines, Middle East and Western Europe.

Quebec (Continued from Page 1)

Québec has become and continues to be an outward, modern and prosperous society.

"The Institute will promote Québec in the U.S. by creating through its academic faculty and business-oriented programs a comprehensive understanding of Québec's historical north-south dynamic within the economic, cultural and political spheres. It will also help create a mutual and beneficial relationship with the U.S. in general, and New York State and New England in particular," said Cuccioletta.

Kirkey said that the inaugural minor program in Québec Studies in the U.S. is planned to be available for undergraduate student enrollment beginning September 2004.

This innovative six course, 18-credit hour multidisciplinary program will provide students with an intensive immersion in Québec - including the completion of two full courses in French language instruction and would be anchored around a cornerstone course, Introduction to Québec.

The Institute will also take a lead sponsorship role in a number of new initiatives including: the Distinguished Québec Annual Address, Québec Speakers Series, Québec Scholar-in-Residence Program, Québec Business Policy Forum, and a one-day annual celebration of Québec - Celebrons Québec!

Numerous field trips, internship and scholarship opportunities for students interested in Quebec will also be sponsored by the Institute.

Working with the Center for the Study of Canada, Institute staff will also contribute to the planning and implementation of the Québec Winter Symposium, Québec Summer Seminar and Samuel de Champlain



Dr. John Clark thanks those in attendance during a recent news conference to announce the Institute on Quebec Studies.

biannual symposium.

A nationally-focused newsletter and Website will be developed, and the Institute's Advisory Council, with representation from academia, business, media and government communities, will work in support of the Institute's activities.

The Institute will be housed at the Center for the Study of Canada, 133 Court St. For further information on the Institute on Québec Studies, contact Dr. Christopher Kirkey, director of the Center for the Study of Canada, 564-2086 or e-mail: christopher.kirkey@plattsburgh.edu or Dr. Donald Cuccioletta, interim managing director, Institute on Québec Studies, 564-2086 or e-mail: donald.cuccioletta@plattsburgh.edu

Several Searches Underway at Plattsburgh State

Several top level administration positions are on schedule to be filled later this year. Search committees have been formed and have begun some preliminary work to move the searches forward.

The search for a vice president for institutional advancement is underway. John Homburger, vice president for business affairs, is chairing the committee. Other members of the search committee are: Bob Grady, managing editor of the Press Republican; Marlene Fields, Educational Opportunity Program; John Johnson '71 G'93, College Council member; Dr. David Mowry, Honors Center; Dr. Susan Spissinger, academic affairs and research; Dan Stewart, mayor of Plattsburgh; Trent Trahan '70, president of the College Foundation; Doug Sloan '91, president of the Alumni Association; Cheryl Cole, women's basketball; Cerise Oberman, library and information services; Donald Garrant '57 G'59, College Council member; Robert Rolfs, hotel, restaurant and tourism management; and Adam Crosley, Student Association.

The search committee for the dean of the School of Business and Economics has been formed. Members of that committee include: Dr. Robert Christopherson,

chair; Dr. Gretchen Beebe, professional studies; James Coffey, accounting; Kimberly Emery '00, hotel, restaurant and tourism management; David Keys, sociology; Adore Kurtz, Clinton County Area Development Corp.; Howard Lowe, Technical Assistance Center; Dr. Faten Moussa, management and marketing; Linda Willett, Small Business Development Center; and Chereese Deroche, Student Association. Dr. Raymond Guydosh is currently serving as interim dean of SBE.

The search for the Dean of Education, Health and Human Services, formerly known as Professional Studies, is also moving forward. Members on that search committee are: Dr. Thomas Moran, chair; Negmeldin Alsheikh, literacy education; Lois Beach, adolescent/health education; Carla Hendrix, library; Jill Myers, CSEA; Jay Petrillo, field experience/student teaching; Dr. Zoanne Schnell, nursing, food and nutrition; Dr. Laurence Soroka, Adirondack Experience; Dr. Roberta Wacker-Mundy, communication disorders and sciences; Dr. Patricia Higgins, academic affairs; Dr. Jean Coates, nursing, food and nutrition; Mary Hall, a graduate student in counselor education; and Azilla Clark, Student Association.

Exhibition of Artwork by Faculty Runs Through Feb. 29

An exhibition of artwork by the Plattsburgh State faculty opens in the Burke Gallery, Myers Fine Arts Building on Friday, Feb. 6 with a reception from 4 to 6 p.m.

Nine art faculty members are included in the exhibition, which will be on display through Feb. 29.

Sponsored by the Plattsburgh Art Museum, the exhibit features works by Diane Fine, Rick Mikkelson, Don Osborn, Berry Matthews, Norman Taber, Peter Russom, David Powell, Carol Vossler and Sue Lezon.

Edward Brohel, director of the Art Museum, said he was excited to showcase work by Plattsburgh State's art faculty in this exhibit.

"Faculty must reach deep into themselves for the renewal of energy which keeps their classes alive and endlessly new - new for the experience presented by each and every student," said Brohel.

Fine works primarily in two related art media: printmaking and the book arts. She exhibits her work regularly and is represented in a number of collections including the Museum of Modern Art in New York and Yale University Art Gallery. Her work in the exhibition is a two-plate intaglio print titled, *Lucky Again*.

Mikkelson, a professor of drawing and painting, works in oils and watercolor and a variety of drawing media. His subjects consist of landscapes, figures and still lifes. His work has been exhibited throughout the United States and Canada and is in numerous private and public collections. His work, *Trinity: IBSTE*, will be featured in the faculty exhibition.

Osborn teaches 3/D foundation and all levels of studio sculpture. His personal work has evolved through various mediums in past years. His most recent efforts have been directed toward monumental outdoor sculpture, which are primarily fabricated in steel. His piece, *Ghost Poet's Chamber*, will be featured in the faculty exhibit.

Matthews teaches ceramics at Plattsburgh State. Her life experiences have given her a wealth of visual information, a source for her ceramic installations. She also makes elegantly whimsical teapots from porcelain. One of these teapots will be part of the faculty exhibit.

Taber, an associate professor of art, is focusing on combining aspects of traditional and digital illustration, as well as designing and illustrating a book for children. His piece is titled,

A Nice Household.

Russom received his undergraduate degree from the studio art program at Plattsburgh State in 1985 and received his master's of fine arts degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. His most recent works are a synthesis of images, forms and geometric systems suspended in fields of color. His piece, *Monolith*, will be featured in the faculty exhibit.

Powell, an assistant professor of art, had a career in managing creative businesses in New England prior to coming to Plattsburgh. His work for the exhibition is a collage titled, *McMoney*.

Vossler, an adjunct professor of art, concentrates her artistic efforts on sculpture. She received her bachelor's degree from Plattsburgh State in 1990 and her master's in fine arts from Syracuse University. Her piece for the exhibit is titled, *Artomatic*.

Lezon is an adjunct professor who teaches photography. She received her bachelor's degree from Emerson College and her master's of fine arts from the University of Massachusetts/Hampshire. Her work for the exhibit is titled, *...that you may behold the moon*.

Dating Violence Survey Conducted at Plattsburgh

Nearly a third of some 550 female students attending Plattsburgh State said they had given in to sex play fondling, kissing, petting but not intercourse) when they did not want to sometime during their high school or college career because they were overwhelmed by a man's continual arguments or pressure. Twenty-one percent said they had sexual intercourse when they did not want to as a result of the same circumstances.

Dr. Lynda Ames, professor of sociology and the College's affirmative action officer, said the results are part of a sampling of students who attended various classes at the four-year college during the fall semester.

"The survey results suggest that dating violence is much more common among high school and college-age adults than sexual assault is," said Ames. "Some women don't even recognize that some of the things that are occurring to them are crimes."

Ames said that young men in high school and college do not recognize that unwanted advances or

pressure is abuse to their female equivalent. Some 270 male students were also asked similar questions, such as whether they may have argued or pressured a woman into sex play when she didn't want to. The results from the sampling were quite low in comparison to the statistical responses for the women.

While 32.9 percent of women said they had given into sex play when they did not want to, the men reported only 6.3 percent had pressured women into it. Only three percent of men said they had argued or pressured women into sexual intercourse when she didn't want to while 21 percent of women said they had sex as a result of the same situation.

Ames said most of the men participating in the survey said they had not perpetrated any of these acts during high school or college.

"They may not see their actions as violence against women," said Ames. "These particular men may not be violent as most were upset about violence against women."

While the College's official statistics are quite low in comparison to the national average, Ames said

that they are aware that it does occur on this campus and goes unreported in much the same fashion as it does at other colleges and universities across the country.

"Plattsburgh State recognizes that there is a problem. If we can address the problem here on campus with our young men and women, we may be able to reduce it, if not stop it, from occurring."

While more than half of the nearly all full-time female respondents were sophomores or juniors and slightly less than half of them lived on campus, more than 75 percent believed the upstate North Country campus was safe or very safe in their estimation.

In comparison, nearly two thirds of the male college students were either freshmen or sophomores and more than half lived on campus. More than 90 percent believed that the campus was safe or very safe.

"Parents want to send their children to campuses that recognize these problems and are doing something about it. We are continuing to work on this issue," said Ames.

Ettling (Continued from Page 1)

Ettling's nomination is the result of a national search conducted by the Plattsburgh College Council and the search committee it formed. The search committee forwarded a list of three very qualified final candidates to the chancellor. Chancellor King and his senior staff conducted a number of interviews with the three finalists, and the chancellor forwarded Ettling's name to the Board for its consideration.

"The College Council and the search committee are to be commended for bringing forward three superbly qualified candidates and thanked for contributing long hours of hard work in order to accomplish this very important goal," said King. "The entire search process was most exemplary, and I want to thank the entire Plattsburgh College Council and Chair Robert Garrow and the members of the search committee - who are all volunteers - for the marvelous job they did. Plattsburgh will be a stronger institution thanks to their tremendous efforts."

Author of one book and co-author of another, Ettling wrote *The Germ of Laziness: Rockefeller Philanthropy and Public Health in the New South*

(Harvard University Press, 1981). In addition, he has contributed many articles and chapters to scholarly journals and books.

Ettling was a co-principal investigator and co-director of a \$300,000 National Endowment for the Humanities grant for "Texas Seminar on the Core Curriculum."

The recipient of many awards, including the University of North Dakota's President's Medal, he serves as a director on a number of academic and community boards, including the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges and the United Way of Greater Grand Forks.

An accomplished scholar, Ettling has lectured throughout the country, presented research papers and served as a commentator and panelist on issues ranging from public and social policy to the Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act.

Ettling is married to Dr. Jennifer Tarlin Ettling, executive director of the Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra and they have two daughters, Sarah, 26 and Rachel, 21.

Michael Harrington New Student Association President

Politics wasn't the first choice for new Student Association president Michael Harrington.

Originally, Harrington, from Eagle Bridge, N.Y., chose Plattsburgh State based on the strength of its mass communications program.

While majoring in mass communications, Harrington spent time at the campuses two radio stations, WARP and WQKE, as well as PSTV, the campuses television station.

Along the way, Harrington also found time to spend three years as a resident assistant and just this year became resident director of Wilson Hall.

Recently however, this first-year graduate student has found politics to be another interesting venue in which to spend his time.

"I spent the last couple summers as an assistant to Plattsburgh Mayor Dan Stewart," said Harrington. "It was at that point that I found myself intrigued by politics."

Last semester, Harrington was offered a vacant S.A. senator position by former President Tim Sarantonio. He did not hesitate.

"I was always interested in the presidency," said Harrington. "The problem was that, until recently, I felt uncomfortable because I had no experience in an

elected position."

That same semester, Harrington ran for and won the S.A. presidency.

Despite his success, Harrington is still unsure what role politics will play in his future once his term is up.

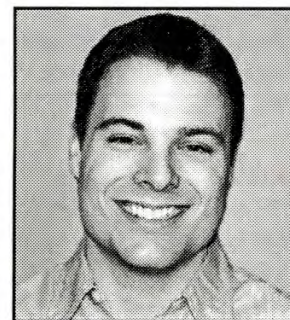
"I will have my master's in a year and a half," said Harrington. "I might be in a completely different place mentally by then."

"It will probably be a tough choice, not because I'm not sure what I want to do, but because there are so many things I want to do. News, radio and television are still in the front of my mind, but now there is politics too, and that interests me a lot."

In the meantime, Harrington will focus his attention on leading the S.A., and student body.

So far, Harrington's agenda includes, helping the college retain its positive image, better informing off-campus students and helping Plattsburgh State's new president get to know the campus and students.

-- by Mike Coulter, Communications Intern



Harrington

Spotlight on faculty and staff

Jessica Butts, health educator, has received a \$2,500 grant to participate in Project PITCH (Partners in Teaching Community Health). The program is a college/high school collaboration in which high school students work with college students on research projects that explore complex health questions of immediate relevance to their community. The Association of American Colleges and Universities (AAC&U) is providing the funding for Project PITCH. Plattsburgh State is one of seven institutions to receive funding to support the development of this project.

Dr. Robert Davis, professor and research scientist at the Auditory Research Laboratories published an article titled, "The Use of Distortion Product Otoacoustic Emissions in the Estimation of Hearing and Sensory Cell Loss" which appeared in the January issue of the journal, *Hearing Research*. **Dr. Roger Hamernik**, professor and director of the Auditory Research Laboratories and **Dr. Wei Qiu**, research scientist, were co-authors of the paper.

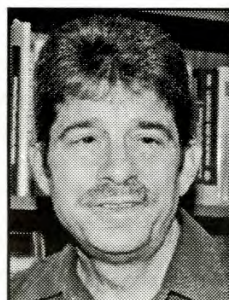
Dr. Mohamed Djerdjouri, professor in the School of Business and Economics, recently presented a research seminar titled: "L'Application de Modeles

Mathematiques pour Mesurer la Performance des Entreprises: Le Cas de Georgia Pacific", as a guest speaker in "The INC Research Seminar Series" at the Institut National de Commerce (INC) in Algiers, Algeria. The presentation will be published in "Le Recueil de Conferences: Les LUNDIS du Commerce".

Dr. James Lindgren, Professor and Chair of History, authored the essay, "A Spirit That Fires the Imagination: Historic Preservation and Cultural Regeneration in Virginia and New England, 1850-1950," which appeared in the anthology, *Giving Preservation a History: Histories of Historic Preservation in the United States*, published by Routledge in 2003.



Butts



Davis



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Lindgren

FOCUS Calendar

Friday, Feb. 6 - Thursday, Feb. 26

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

FRIDAY, FEB. 6

11 a.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, sponsored by Career Development Center. Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.

8 p.m. Pendragon Theatre Residency, "Romeo and Juliet" by William Shakespeare. 8:00 p.m. Tickets for Plattsburgh State Students available at the College Center Desk for \$2. Tickets for all others available only at the door the evening of the performance. Box office will open 40 minutes before the performance. General \$10, Faculty/Staff/Seniors/other Students \$7. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

SATURDAY, FEB. 7

8:30 a.m. ODK High School Emerging Leaders Conference. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

7 p.m. Spades Tournament, sponsored by O.W.E.. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

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SUNDAY, FEB. 8

3 p.m. I Musici de Montreal Concert, Tickets available after Jan 27th at the Angell College Center Desk or at the door. General \$ 15, Faculty/Staff/ Seniors/

Students \$12, Plattsburgh State Students \$5. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie, sponsored by Student Association. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, FEB. 9

12 p.m. SA Clubs Mandatory Meeting, sponsored by SA Organization Affairs Board. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

2 p.m. Strategic Planning Fiscal Vitality Subcommittee, sponsored by Business Affairs. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour, Sponsored by the Adirondack Experience Program. Tickets: no charge for SA Members, \$4 faculty/staff, \$6 general admission, on sale at the Angell Center Desk. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

7:30 p.m. Visual Artist Series, sponsored by Art Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

TUESDAY, FEB. 10

2 p.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, sponsored by Career Development Center. Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Monthly Meetings. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. Freshmen Emerging Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 11

12:15 p.m. Strategic Planning Interest Meeting,

sponsored by Arts & Sciences. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

THURSDAY, FEB. 12

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:15 p.m. Etiquette Series, sponsored by Marketing Association. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:30 p.m. Jeopardy Challenge, sponsored by Learning Center. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

6 p.m. SA Clubs Mandatory Meeting, sponsored by SA Organization Affairs Board. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

FRIDAY, FEB. 13

10: a.m. Strategic Planning, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

2 p.m. Technology Special Interest Group Meeting, sponsored by the Strategic Planning Committee. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

SATURDAY, FEB. 14

7 p.m. "A Romantic Interlude", featuring piano playing and poetry reading,

sponsored by the Center for Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

SUNDAY, FEB. 15

3 p.m. Meet George Hearn, sponsored by Music Department. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie, sponsored by Student Association. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, FEB. 16

12 p.m. Fraternities/Sororities Advisors Meeting, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

1 p.m. Planning Committee Subgroup Meeting, sponsored by the Strategic Planning Council. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

3 p.m. Greek Leadership Series, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. North Country Folks for Howard Dean, sponsored by Community Event. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

TUESDAY, FEB. 17

10 a.m. Kaplan Testing Information Table, spon-

College Council to Meet Feb. 12

The College Council will hold its next regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, Feb. 12 at 9:30 a.m. in the Alumni Conference Room in Hawkins Hall. In addition to regular reports, Council members will listen to updates on the National Science Foundation Grant for Twin Valleys and the Food and Nutrition Program. They will also discuss the spring and fall enrollment as well as enrollment management initiatives, among a number of items on the agenda. The College Council's meeting is open to the campus community and the public.

sored by Career Development Center. Angell College Center Lobby 9.

4:30 p.m. Tuesday Reflections, sponsored by Arts & Sciences. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. Freshmen Emerging Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

THURSDAY, FEB. 19

10 a.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, sponsored by Career Development Center. Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.

12 p.m. New Member Workshop, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

2 p.m. Teleconference on The New Student Politics, sponsored by the Center for Service Learning and the American Democracy Project. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

FRIDAY, FEB. 20

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SATURDAY, FEB. 21

7 p.m. One Mic Competition and Party, sponsored by FUERZA. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

SUNDAY, FEB. 22

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3 p.m. Faculty Recital, Louise Dionne, piano, Free and open to the public. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie, sponsored by Student Association. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, FEB. 23

7 p.m. Greek Future Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

TUESDAY, FEB. 24

2 p.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, sponsored by Career Development Center. Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meetings. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

7 p.m. Freshmen Emerging Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

7 p.m. Associate New Member Induction Ceremony, sponsored by Sigma Tau Gamma. Angell College Center Warren

Ballroom B.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 25

4:30 p.m. CAS Board Meeting/Dinner, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services Office. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. Eating Disorders Awareness Week - Panel Discussion, sponsored by Student Health Services. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. CDPI Film Series and WRAP Session, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

THURSDAY, FEB. 26

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

1 p.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, sponsored by Career Development Center. Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.

7 p.m. Liesel Fedkenheuer,

Dramatic Soprano. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

7:30 p.m. Visual Artist Series, sponsored by Art Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7:30 p.m. Alternative Spring Break Service Auction, sponsored by the Center for Service Learning. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

Summer Jobs Available

The Upward Bound Program is seeking 18 tutor-counselors for the 2004 summer program. This position runs from June 21 to Aug. 10. The salary ranges from \$1,900 to \$2,100, plus room and board (contingent on funding). Applications are available at the Upward Bound Office, 254 MacDonough Hall, or at the College Center Desk. First consideration will be given to applications received by Feb. 18. For more information, call 564-2030.

Center for Student Health & Psychological Services Groups for Spring 2004

Stress Management Workshop (open to college community) on Thursday, March 4th from 2 to 3:30 pm. Topics will focus on managing stress in our busy schedule using relaxation, visualization, and self-talk exercises and living a more healthy life by focusing on nutrition and exercise. Coordinator: Victoria Christofi, Ph.D. Location: Activity Room, Lower Level of Memorial Hall.

Self Development Group (open to students only) is designed to reach a broad group of students experiencing a diverse set of issues with a common theme of having the ability to benefit from peer feedback and insight. The group is scheduled to begin Wednesday, Feb. 18. Improve your ability to manage personal issues; build self-esteem; improve social skills; gain coping skills; and receive feedback from peers in a supportive environment. Coordinator: Kathryn Haendiges, Psy.D. Location: Student Health Center Conference Room #148.

The Body Image and Eating Issues Group (open to students only) is designed to help students who are dealing with issues related to food and self-esteem. The group will combine discussion with structured activities to encourage problem solving and exploration of feelings. Day and time to be determined. Coordinator: Carol Shuttleworth, Ph.D. Location: Student Health Center Conference Room #148.

To register for any of the above groups, please call 564-3086.
All calls are strictly confidential.

Music Department Presents I Musici de Montréal Feb. 8

The Plattsburgh State Music Department will present I Musici de Montréal Chamber Orchestra on Sunday, Feb. 8, 2004 at 3 p.m. in the E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium, Hawkins Hall.

Offering "intense gestures [and] opulent pleasures" (Rüsselsheim), I Musici lends its musical talents to a wide spectrum of chamber music repertoire, from Baroque to 20th-century works, and presents over 100 concerts annually throughout the world.



Turovsky

Founded by director and cellist Yuli Turovsky in 1983, the orchestra has recorded more than 40 compact discs, distributed in over 50 countries around the world for Chandos Records.

Among the many accolades bestowed on I Musici are two Opus Prizes awarded in 1998 by the Conseil québécois de la musique for "Recording of the Year" and "Best Recording, Contemporary Music" for its compact disc of works by Gorecki, Pärt, and Schnittke. In addition, in 1999, the Orchestra received the Grand Prix from the Montreal Urban Community Arts Council for its outstanding contribution to the advancement of music throughout the Montreal Urban Community's territory.

The *Montreal Gazette* describes I Musici's playing as "perfectly proportioned, delicately sensitive, exquisitely etched, full of grace and delivered with joy." Under the inspired direction of Turovsky, who conducts and performs as soloist, I Musici has played the world's major concert halls including New York's Lincoln Center, Toronto's Ford Center, and Geneva's Victoria Hall.



I Musici de Montreal

With concert reviews like the following from the Washington Times, you don't want to miss the treat of I Musici: "The flavor was international, the aftertaste Russian and the playing terrific. . . Intense string tone, wide vibrato and emotionally charged portamentos, glorious legato."

Tickets are: \$15 general admission; \$12 faculty, staff and seniors; and \$5 for students. They are available at the Angell College Center Information Desk and at the door. For more information, contact the Music Department at 564-2180.

Survey to Gage Student Learning at Plattsburgh State

Later this month, Plattsburgh State will participate in the National Survey for Student Engagement (NSSE), the first national survey to determine what colleges and universities contribute to student undergraduate learning. The NSSE is administered by Indiana University's Center for Postsecondary Research and Planning.

While it's easy to ignore surveys, this one is short but has the potential to actually make a difference in the quality of undergraduate education at Plattsburgh State because it asks the kinds of benchmarking questions that matter to student learning and institutional effectiveness.

These benchmarks are: the level of academic challenge; active and collaborative learning; student-fac-

ulty interactions; enriching educational experiences; and supportive campus environments. The survey focuses on what students do and what they say about their undergraduate experience.

The survey will be sent to a select sample of Plattsburgh State freshmen and seniors through their campus e-mail addresses during Feb. 16 - 27. A personalized student identification code will be provided, allowing each student to complete the survey just once. All individual data will be kept strictly confidential.

"We are participating in this survey because it attempts to measure the extent to which colleges and universities use good practices that encourage learning," said Dr. Robert Golden, provost and vice president

for academic affairs. "The strength of this survey lies in the fact that more than 649 institutions have participated in this project with another 470 participating this year. This will allow us to compare teaching and learning effectiveness at Plattsburgh State with national benchmarks for similar types of institutions. I encourage students to check their campus e-mail during Feb. 16 to the 27th and complete and submit the survey entitled 'SUNY Plattsburgh Wants Your Feedback,'" said Golden.

NSSE is supported by a grant from the Pew Charitable Trusts to help universities improve undergraduate education. Information about NSSE is available at <http://www.indiana.edu/~nsse>, or by contacting Institutional Research at 564-3102.

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Garrow Steps Down from College Council

Robert Garrow, chair of the College Council at Plattsburgh State, has announced his resignation as chair effective Feb. 29.

Garrow, who was first appointed chair of the council in June 1986, said told those present at the meeting of the College Council Feb. 12 that it was not an easy decision.

"The opportunity of serving my alma mater for nearly 18 years has been a joy and wonderful experience," said Garrow. "I've been most fortunate to served with many college council members who, like myself, have a deep love for the college."

Garrow graduated from Plattsburgh State in 1952 with a bachelor's degree in education. He received his master's degree in education administration in 1959 from Plattsburgh. During his college career, Garrow was an outstanding performer and leader in baseball, basketball and soccer. In 1984, he was inducted into the Cardinal Sports Hall of Fame as a charter member.

Dr. John Clark, interim president of Plattsburgh State, said Garrow has served his alma mater with distinction. "He is a true friend of the College and has been a proud spokesperson on behalf of Plattsburgh State. I want to personally thank him for the friendship and guidance he has provided me during my time here. I also want to thank him on behalf of Plattsburgh State for his leadership during some important challenges this college has faced during his tenure as chair of the college council."



Arnold Amell reads a resolution presented to Robert Garrow (right) while Dr. John Clark (left) looks on.

Garrow said the college administration, faculty, staff and students have been very supportive of him throughout the years. He said, "I especially want to thank Dr. Clark for his leadership since his arrival on campus last June."

During Garrow's nearly 18 years as chair, he has participated in the search and selection process for three presidents including Dr. Charles Warren, Dr. Horace Judson and President-Elect John Ettling.

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TAC Works With County on Two Different Projects

The Technical Assistance Center (TAC) at Plattsburgh State has partnered with Clinton County Office of Emergency Services to design a new data resource for emergency management.

The project is funded by a \$30,000 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and a \$10,000 matching grant from Clinton County. The system will include a database that can be visualized and communicated using a Geographic Information System (GIS).

The project, GIS Response, will allow the Clinton County Emergency Operations Center to utilize the powerful technology of GIS to better prepare for prevention, response and recovery from a disaster.

Bryan McBride, TAC's GIS specialist and a 2003 graduate of Plattsburgh State, is working with Clinton County Emergency Services Director Jim King and Assistant Director Kelly Donoghue to access and compile the data.

"We will be the first county in

the state with comprehensive GIS Emergency Services project done on such a large scale," said McBride, who graduated with an undergraduate degree in environmental science. "Using GIS for emergency services is good for Clinton County. This project can become a model for other counties, particularly rural ones, in New York."

GIS technology is a valuable tool used to store, analyze and visualize geographical data. Through a

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Norman "Bill" Pauling Endowment Fund Established

A new endowment has been established that will aid in providing transportation to clients of Plattsburgh State's Traumatic Brain Injury Center.

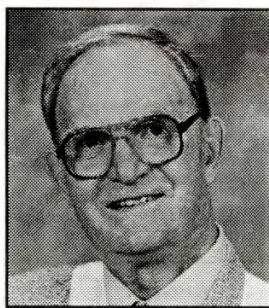
The \$10,000 Norman "Bill" Pauling Endowment Fund was established in full by his wife, Janice Pauling, in his memory.

Norman passed away in 2000 at the age of 74, after having spent five years as a client of TBI following a car accident he suffered in 1995.

"He received a lot of help and support while he was there," said Janice. "It was his second home."

Janice said that the only part of TBI her husband wanted to improve was the transportation available to the clients.

"He went to great lengths to see if a van was possible so that the clients could take day trips," said Janice. "The funding just wasn't there."



Pauling

Janice hopes her endowment will finally rectify this situation.

"The plan," said Janice, "is that the interest from this endowment will be able to help buy a van, or at least provide the gasoline."

In the years since her husband's death, Janice has maintained close ties to the center. She regularly visits clients and participates in fundraising events.

"This will be a lasting thing," said, "Janice. "I will never lose contact with the people I have met there."

The endowment is an open fund, capable of receiving additional contributions in any amount at any time.

Norman, a World War II veteran, spent time in Maine, Massachusetts and New Hampshire, where he met Janice before moving to New York State in 1955.

In 1982, the couple settled in Plattsburgh, where Norman would be an agent to Cornell University's Agricultural Cooperation.

-- by Mike Coulter, Communications Intern

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software program, GIS can link reference points on a map with information about them. For instance, to obtain information about a specific fire station, the user can bring up its point on the screen and see where it is in context to a multitude of other things such as bridges, roads and other services. Information about what type of fire equipment the station has, the firefighters' expertise and how to get in contact with the station can be included.

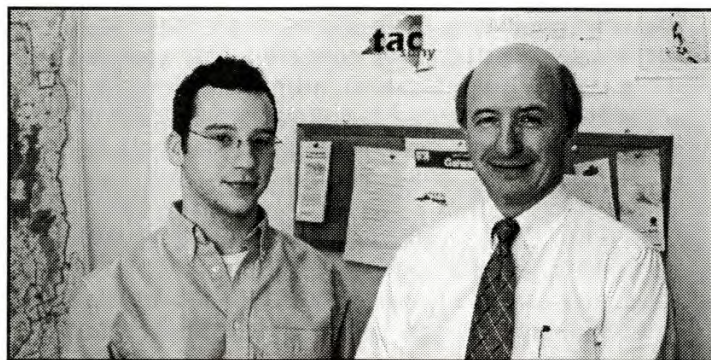
"The system is fairly user-friendly," said McBride. "For emergency management, it is a streamlined, efficient way to gather and share information quickly. It can be used on-site during an incident to locate regional resources, but allows us to expand beyond that -- to predict and plan for future events."

Howard Lowe, director of economic development at Plattsburgh State as well as director of TAC, said that there are many values to this project.

"During the Ice Storm, Jim King needed to locate a dozen snowshoes and ended up finding them through Plattsburgh State. Jim now knows where he can find them, but this sort of information is in his head or in filing cabinets. This project puts all this information into a database so people can have immediate access to it and can respond using common, easily communicated information."

Lowe added that this project fits well with TAC's mission of aiding economic development.

"We feel that GIS is an essential tool and using it for emergency management is important because the better the county is able to respond to emergencies, the better off the business community will be. Everyone benefits economically from this," said Lowe, who hopes to expand this project to the other 15 counties that TAC serves.



McBride and Lowe

TAC also received a \$10,000 grant to use GIS to help the Clinton County Department of Social Services (DSS) by providing it with transportation data on everything from bus routes and stations to county-wide employers and daycare centers.

"This will be a valuable resource for social services' clients," said McBride. "They will be able to, for example, find the fastest and easiest way to a new job via public transportation. Using GIS technology, DSS can help its clients locate the closest bus stop and route to take them where they need to go."

The grant came by way of the Community Transportation Association of America (CTAA). This project is actually the second part of the grant. The first part, which has already been completed, entailed collecting information on Clinton, Essex and Franklin county's public transportation resources and publishing it in a single brochure.

"This GIS database will be an extremely time-saving tool for social services," said McBride. "And later, GIS can be used for demographic comparisons, which will be a good planning tool."

Plattsburgh State Approves Stalking, Dating Violence Policy

Although official reports of domestic violence and stalking at Plattsburgh State are small in comparison to numbers at other colleges and universities nationwide, the College has established a new Domestic Violence and Stalking Policy for responding to incidents involving students, staff and faculty.

Jean Cass, coordinator of the Office for Violence Prevention at Plattsburgh State, said, "Domestic, or dating violence and stalking are under-reported crimes on college campuses (81% of on-campus assaults are NOT reported to police). It is very well-known that people don't want to talk about these crimes - they are personal and intimate - neither men nor women will report them."

"So the emphasis of this policy is reporting the event so we can respond effectively, ensure resources and services are available to victims and victim safety and offender accountability are priorities."

Plattsburgh State received an initial two-year Federal grant in 2002 to establish the Office for Violence Prevention.

Cass said reports of domestic violence are made to University Police, but police have not been required to publish these numbers. Cass also said that it is now apparent that the number of domestic or dating vio-

lence incidents are going under-reported.

"In fact, there were 19 reports of dating violence in a six month period (July-December 2003) to University Police, and we are receiving anonymous reports from Stop Domestic Violence, Behavioral Health Services North that are not included in their numbers," said Cass. "I think anything more than one is problematic."

To introduce the new policy to students, staff and faculty and to stem stalking and dating violence, prevention and educational workshops are being offered. Two public training workshops on Thursday 5:15 - 7 p.m. and Friday, 10 a.m. -12 p.m. in the Plattsburgh Room, Angell College Center will be presented by Matthew Markon, a program attorney for the Stalking Resource Center of the National Center for Victims of Crime in Washington, D.C. The workshops are open to the campus and Plattsburgh community.

Cass has also scheduled training workshops to introduce the new policy for responding to stalking and domestic violence incidents on Wednesday and Thursday, March 24 and 25 from 5 - 7 p.m. in the Cardinal Lounge, Angell College Center.

Individuals looking for more information about violence prevention at Plattsburgh State, can contact Cass at 564-4028 or by email: jean.cass@plattsburgh.edu

Steele Moves to SBE

Effective Feb. 13, Susan Steele has been named assistant to the dean of the School of Business and Economics. Dr. Raymond Domenico will oversee the Office of the Registrar. He will also continue his duties as director of retention planning and programs.

Strategic Planning Committee Open Meeting Feb. 24 and 25

During the past couple of weeks, sub-interest groups of the Strategic Planning Committee have held several open meetings to solicit input on fiscal vitality, technology, academic programs, enrollment, facilities and student life. Facilitators at these meetings have written a one-to two-page report.

The Strategic Planning Committee will hold two campus-wide meetings -- Tuesday, Feb. 24, 12:15-1:45 p.m. and Wednesday, Feb. 25, 4:30-6 p.m. Both meetings will be held in Hudson 106, and everyone is encouraged to attend. To add input in regards to one or more of the sub-groups, there is a message board at: <http://www.plattsburgh.edu/intranet/spc/discuss.php>

Accounting Students Offer Tax Assistance

Seven Plattsburgh State accounting students are offering free tax preparation as part of a collaborative effort between the United Way of Clinton and Essex Counties and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The program, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA), is available to individuals and families whose total household income is less than \$35,000. Plattsburgh State students who are not claimed as a dependent and make less than \$35,000 are also eligible for free tax preparation.

"The IRS called me and was interested in a partnership with Plattsburgh State," said Dr. Mohammed Gaber, professor of accounting. "They were looking for students to help people who can't afford to pay for a tax service but are due tax credits."

According to Barbara Pielo, IRS tax specialist, there are millions of unclaimed tax credits due to low and middle-income individuals and families in Clinton and Essex Counties.

The seven students are volunteering at the Stafford Middle School, which has been set up as a VITA site. To make an appointment, call 566-0944.



The official grand opening ceremony for the new Campus Express in Angell College Center was held Feb. 11. Interim President John Clark was on hand to cut the ceremonial ribbon with Wayne Duprey, director of College Auxiliary Services, and Peter Luguri, president of the CAS Board of Directors, looking on. Students, faculty and staff were treated with free goodies during the store's grand opening celebration.



Freshman hockey player Ryan Busby was presented the 2004 Sodexo Fan Favorite Award on Feb. 14 at the last regular season home game for the Plattsburgh State men's hockey team. Sodexo manager Chris "Dusty" Rhodes presented the award to Busby, who captured the hearts of Cardinal hockey fans this season with his exciting play and flashy moves on the ice. Fans at home games throughout the season cast votes for their favorite player. Past winners include Niklas Sundberg and current assistant coach Steve Moffat.



Two women's basketball players surpassed the same milestone this season. Both Scottie Rovito (left) and Erin Hutchinson (right) eclipsed the 1,000-career point total, and both achieved the feat within days of each other. Rovito scored her 1,000th point on the road at New Paltz, Feb. 6 and Hutchinson scored her milestone basket on Feb. 17 at home against Potsdam. They become the fourth and fifth players to reach 1,000 in Plattsburgh State women's basketball history and the first set of teammates to clear the mark.



Alumni of the Cardinal women's basketball program recently got together for their annual alumni reunion basketball game and reception. This year was especially exciting as one of their own was inducted into the Cardinal Sports Hall of Fame the night before. Donna Dixon '89, who played basketball in a Cardinal uniform at Plattsburgh State from 1985 to 1989, scored 1,417 points in her Cardinal career and was a powerhouse on the court. She was named to the SUNYAC first team all four years she played. At the end of the 1987-88 season, Dixon was named SUNYAC Player of the Year. Dixon is currently the head women's basketball, soccer and softball coach at Clinton Community College.

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Garrow said he was pleased with the cooperative effort of every member of the recent presidential search committee. He said that the Chancellor's choice for the next president at Plattsburgh State should prove rewarding to the college, the greater Plattsburgh community and especially the students.

"I want to wish Dr. Ettling my sincere best," said Garrow. "I know that with his leadership and with our administration, faculty, staff and student body, we will continue to meet the changing needs of the students as they prepare for careers in our shrinking world."

Robert King, chancellor of the State University of New York, praised Garrow for his service on the College Council.

"Bob Garrow has chaired the College Council at Plattsburgh State with great distinction," said King. "His leadership of the College Council and the search committee for a new president is perhaps his most important and significant contribution to the College. Bob and the search committee did extraordinary work, and the campus will benefit for years to come thanks to his efforts

and the efforts of the entire committee. I want to thank him for volunteering his service to Plattsburgh State and look forward to his continued support of the State University of New York and his alma mater."

Some of Garrow's most fond memories as chair of the College Council include naming the Ice Arena in honor of New York State Senator Ronald B. Stafford, the Angell College Center Ballrooms in honor of (former College President) Charles and Nancy Warren and the renovation project to Hawkins Hall.

"I took all my classes in Hawkins Hall as a student here," said Garrow. "So, I was pleased to see this project completed during my tenure."

He said his plans will include continued attendance at Plattsburgh State events. He also wishes the College the very best in the future.

Until the appointment of a new chair to replace Garrow is announced by Governor George Pataki, Arnold Amell, the vice chair and a 1953 alumnus of Plattsburgh State, will serve as acting chair of the College Council.

Students Inducted into the International Geography Honor Society

Epsilon Omega, the local chapter of Gamma Theta Upsilon, an international geographical honor society, welcomed 13 new student members last semester.

Ryan Naatz, from Oneonta, N.Y., Christopher Smith, from Poughkeepsie, N.Y., John Dexter, from Plainview, N.Y., Timothy Fischer, from Rochester, N.Y., Patrick Dwyer, from Baldwinsville, N.Y., Mary Needham, from Gansevoort, N.Y., Scott Birge Jr., from Latham, N.Y., Michele Plotino, from Keene, N.Y., Rachelle Gough, from Westport, N.Y., Thomas Pludrzynski, from Delmar, N.Y., Timothy Jackson, from Staten Island, N.Y., Mami Enomoto, from Hiroshima, Japan, and Tro Bajardi, from Poughkeepsie, N.Y., were inducted into the honor society last December.

The Plattsburgh chapter was established in 1977 and is the third oldest chapter in the SUNY system after SUNY Buffalo in 1953 and SUNY Albany in 1969.

The purpose of the geographical honor society is to further professional interest in geography, to strengthen student and professional training through academic experiences other than those of the classroom and laboratory, to advance the status of geography as a cultural and practical discipline for study, to encourage



Last December, 13 students were inducted into the local chapter of the international geographical honor society.

student research and to create and administer funds for furthering graduate study and/or research.

The first chapter of Gamma Theta Upsilon was Alpha Chapter, chartered under the State of Illinois in 1928.

Spotlight on faculty and staff

Dr. Anna Battigelli, professor of English, recently read a paper for the CUNY Graduate Center's 18th-Century Interdisciplinary Group. The title of the paper was, "Competing with Bread and Circuses: John Dryden's Essay on Satire." The group selects scholars from around the country to present their work in process.

Diane Fine, professor and chair of the art department, is featured in a one-person exhibition at Whitman College in Washington. The exhibition, *Oceans and Elegies*, features prints, paintings and books by Fine. The show began in January and will run through March 5 at the Sheehan Gallery. Fine's work is also included in an exhibit at the New York Public

Library, *Ninety from the Nineties: A Decade of Printing*. The exhibition highlights a selection of 90 contemporary letterpress books printed in the 1990s and acquired by the New York Public Library's Rare Books Division.

Dr. Jean Ouedraogo, assistant professor of foreign languages and literature, recently published two book chapters: "Le jeu de l'ici et de l'ailleurs: discours sur las condition postcoloniale dans l'oeuvre romanesque de Kourouma," in *Identites post-coloniales et discours dans les cultures francophones*; and "Toponymie thematique et reperes topographiques du roman burkinabe," in *Ecritures du Burkina Faso*. Both books were published by the Paris-based L'Harmattan. He also read a paper, "Les jeunes a l'ecran ou le mediatique au service de las mediation au Burkina Faso" at the African Studies Association Conference held in Boston Oct. 30-Nov. 2.



Battigelli



Fine



Ouedraogo

Visual Artist Chen Visits Campus Feb. 26

Julie Chen will be the next presenter in the Visual Artist Series. The nationally-known book artist and book arts instructor will speak on Thursday, Feb. 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cardinal Lounge, Angell College Center.

Chen has been producing limited edition artist books under her Flying Fish Press imprint for the past 15 years. Her work can be found in library and museum collections around the world, such as the library at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City, and the Victoria and Albert Museum in London.

Chen teaches in the book arts program at Mills College in Oakland, Calif., where she received her master's degree in 1989. She also conducts intensive book arts workshops at institutions around the country during the summer.

The Visual Artist Series, sponsored by the Student Association and the Campus Arts Council, is free and open to the public.

FOCUS Calendar Friday, Feb. 20 - Thursday, March 10

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

FRIDAY, FEB. 20

12 p.m. Guest Speaker, sponsored by Students in a Free Enterprise. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.
8 p.m. Adirondack Brass Concert, FREE The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

SATURDAY, FEB. 21

7:30 p.m. Film: "The Quiet American", sponsored by Asian Club. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

SUNDAY, FEB. 22

2 p.m. Panhellenic Formal Recruitment. Angell Center Warren Ballrooms.
3 p.m. Faculty Recital, Louise Dionne, piano, Free and open to the public. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.
8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, FEB. 23

6:30 p.m. North Country Folks for Howard Dean, sponsored by Community Event. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.
7 p.m. Greek Future Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

TUESDAY, FEB. 24

2 p.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, presents "Applying to Graduate School." Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.
4:30 p.m. ODK Meeting. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.
4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meetings. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.
7:00 p.m. Freshmen Emerging Leaders Seminar,

sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 25

4:30 p.m. CAS Board Meeting/Dinner. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.
7 p.m. Eating Disorders Awareness Week - Panel Discussion, sponsored by Student Health Services. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.
7 p.m. CDPI Film Series and WRAP Session, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

THURSDAY, FEB. 26

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.
1 p.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, presents "Organizing an Effective Job Search." Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.
2:30 p.m. Stalking and Dating Violence, -- What Is It? How Shall We Respond? Sponsored by the Office for Violence Prevention. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.
4:15 p.m. Etiquette Series, sponsored by Marketing Association. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.
5:15 p.m. Stalking and Dating Violence Training, sponsored by University Police. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.
6 p.m. Black History Month Dinner, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.
7 p.m. Liesel Fedkenheuer, Dramatic Soprano, sponsored by Music Department. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

7:30 p.m. Visual Artist Series, sponsored by Art Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7:30 p.m. Alternative Spring Break Service Auction, sponsored by the Center for Service Learning. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

FRIDAY, FEB. 27

10 a.m. Stalking and Dating Violence Training, open to the general public. Sponsored by the Office of Violence Prevention. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.
8 p.m. Vagina Monologues, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

SATURDAY, FEB. 28

8 p.m. Vagina Monologues, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

SUNDAY, FEB. 29

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, MARCH 1

7 p.m. Greek Future

Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7:30 p.m. Dave Anderson, Mountaineer, presents "The Frozen Passage to Zanskar," a lecture/slide show, sponsored by the Adirondack Experience Program with support from CAS. The Krinovitz Recital Hall, Hawkins Hall.

TUESDAY, MARCH 2

10 a.m. Wellness Fair, sponsored by Student Health Services. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.
10 a.m. CVPH Blood Drive, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.
3 p.m. International Education Meeting. Angell Center Meeting Room 1.
4:30 p.m. Tuesday Reflections, sponsored by Arts & Sciences. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.
7 p.m. Freshmen Emerging Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.
8 p.m. Women's Concerns Week Film, sponsored by

Vagina Monologues on Stage Feb. 27 & 28

"The Vagina Monologues," a groundbreaking, Obie Award-winning play by Eve Ensler, will be performed in the E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium, Hawkins Hall, at Plattsburgh State on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 27 and 28, at 8 p.m.

Plattsburgh State Campus Life/Multicultural Programming, Plattsburgh State Office of Violence Prevention and the Center for Women's Concerns are sponsoring this all-student production. Tickets are on sale at the Angell College Center Information Desk and are \$4 for Plattsburgh State students and \$8 for general admission. For more information, contact Marisa Gore at 518-578-6627 or Dr. Lynda Ames at 518-564-3303.

O.W.E.. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3

8 p.m. TAWS Womens Conference: Panel Discussion. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

THURSDAY, MARCH 4

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12 p.m. New Member Workshop, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

12 p.m. TEAM Mentors Rap Session(Mentors Only), sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. Film: "Fried Green Tomatoes", sponsored by TAWS. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

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6 p.m. Women's Concerns

Week, Theatre Performance on "Date Rape." Sponsored by O.W.E. Tickets: \$2 SA Members, \$3 general admission, on sale at the ACC Desk and at the door. The Krinovitz Recital Hall.

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7 p.m. International Student Tax Workshop, sponsored by International Student Services. Angell Center Warren Ballrooms.

TUESDAY, MARCH 9

12:30 p.m. Performance Class, Applied music students perform individually. All Welcome. Myers Fine Arts Bldg 300.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Monthly Meeting. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. Freshmen Emerging Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

7 p.m. Building Healthy Relationships Presentation, sponsored by the Violence Prevention Project, the Center for Student Health and Psychological Services and Women's Studies. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

9 p.m. Guest Speaker Mark Sterner, presents "DUI: A Powerful Lesson." Sponsored by Panhellenic Council. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

2 p.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, presents "Delivering a Dynamic Interview." Sponsored by the Career Development Office. Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.

THURSDAY, MARCH 10

12 p.m. EOP Spring Academic Recognition Ceremony, sponsored by Educational Opportunity Program (EOP). Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:30 p.m. Jeopardy Challenge, sponsored by Learning Center. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

"Building Healthy Relationships"

Tuesday, March 9

7 p.m., Cardinal Lounge, Angell College Center

This interactive workshop for women will encourage participants to explore healthy relationships and ways to improve the quality of the relationships in their lives. Sponsored by: The Center for Student Health and Psychological Services Violence Prevention Project

"Grief Support Group"

Date and day of group will be determined once enough interested students have signed up.

This is a support group for students dealing with the death of a parent or family member and for students dealing with a parent or family member who has a terminal illness. It is often hard to deal with the pressures of college in addition to grief issues. This group is intended to provide a safe environment for students dealing with grief to come together and provide support for one another.

For additional information and to sign up, contact Victoria Christofi, Ph.D. at the Center for Student Health and Psychological Services at 564-3086.

The Business of Tutoring

New Program Offered to SBE Students

A new tutoring program in the School of Business and Economics has emerged as the result of a student survey conducted last semester. The program is designed for all fields within SBE including Hotel Restaurant and Tourism Management and Accounting.

According to Brian Piotrowski, an accounting major from Glenford, N.Y. and president of the Student Advisory Council, the survey was compiled and analyzed to gather information so that improvements can be made within the SBE programs. One such finding from the survey showed a need for tutors in the higher-level courses.

"Our centralized goal is to aid students to advance themselves," said Piotrowski. "It is hard to find tutors in the Learning Center for higher level courses, so we are working with the Learning Center to help students excel and succeed in the academic career."

Piotrowski believes the program will successfully provide students with a necessary resource backed by trained and qualified tutors. Started during the mid point of the fall 2003 semester, the program drew a number of students studying for finals.

Dr. Mohamed Gaber, chair of the accounting department, said that he looks for qualified students when choosing tutors.

"This program serves as retention for students so they can walk in and find someone when they need help. It also provides a comfortable setting for

students so they can interact with their peers and not become discouraged by the restrictions of faculties' office hours when they need help," said Gaber.

According to Fern Pinard, a senior business management major and tutor, once students seeking tutors started coming, they do so continuously.

"Classes just started and haven't gotten too difficult as yet," said Pinard. "So far, I get visited by a lot of accounting majors."

The tutoring program does not necessarily provide one-on-one service. Tutoring is available from 3 to 8 p.m., Monday through Thursday during which time students can walk in and get the help they need. This setting also facilitates group learning and peer tutoring in common subjects.

"It's in the beginning stages, so we have to work harder at finding tutors, attracting students and acquiring funds," Piotrowski said.

The program received initial support from the Student Association (S.A.) pending the students' response, which has resulted in additional funding. The program helped 72 students in the first 16 days of tutoring.

The President's Office has provided some funding and the S.A. gave an additional allocation of funds to the program. Piotrowski is also working with Carolee Smith in the Office for Institutional Advancement to find alumni and friends of the College to support the program.

-- by Kaidian Smith, Communications Intern

Sodexho Campus Services Contributes to College

Sodexho Campus Services has once again made a generous contribution to the College through the Plattsburgh College Foundation. Seen here, presenting a check for \$10,000 to Interim President John B. Clark, (center) are Pat Spellman, general manager of Sodexho Campus Services at Plattsburgh State (left) and Dan Dunne, Sodexho's district manager (right). Sodexho's gift will support a Community Service Scholar for 2004-05 (\$2,500); will provide \$2,000 to each of the College's three academic divisions (Professional Studies, Arts and Sciences, and the School of Business and Economics); and will also provide \$1,500 in support of the intercollegiate athletic program. Dr. Clark expressed the college's sincere appreciation for the long history of generous support by the company which operates the campus food service program. "Sodexho generously supports the college's academic program as well as extracurricular programs," he said. "This latest contribution to the Foundation is only one of the many ways Sodexho gives back to this campus, and we cannot thank them enough."



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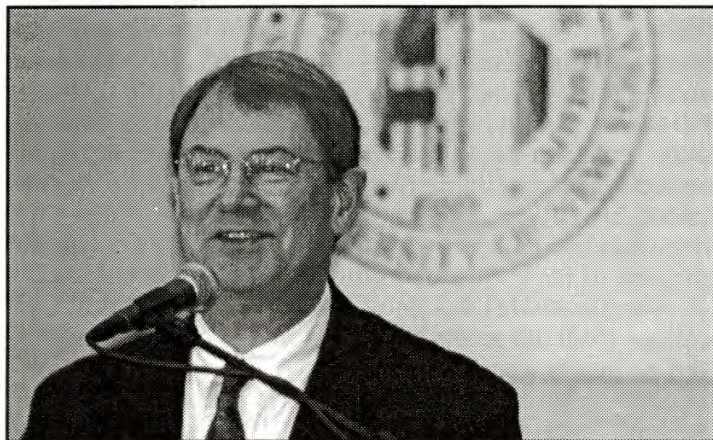
The 10th President of Plattsburgh State

Dr. John Ettling was introduced as the 10th president of Plattsburgh State during a press conference on Wednesday, Feb. 25. "I stand before you as the product of an arduous and extremely well conducted search process," said Ettling. "I am delighted to be here."

Joining him at the press conference was Robert King, chancellor of the State University of New York, who recommended Ettling to the SUNY Board of Trustees. The Board unanimously voted to name Ettling the president of the College the day before at its meeting in Albany.

"I am delighted to tell you that the choice that I made in recommending to our board John Ettling represents what we believe is the most substantial pathway and leader for this campus," said King. "One of the things that I thought was so important was finding somebody who would not simply be a leader here on the campus but somebody who would bring to the larger community of Plattsburgh and the North Country the wisdom, the temperament and the leadership that would allow all that happens here on this campus to permeate out into the larger community. We think that we have found, with your help, which has been extraordinary, a great new leader for Plattsburgh State, and it is my joy to help introduce him to the community today."

King also thanked Dr. John Clark, who has been serving as interim president at the College since last summer.



Dr. John Ettling speaks during the press conference on Feb. 25.

"This has been John's first assignment in higher education. I frankly cannot imagine that anybody could have done a better job. He has so far exceeded everyone's expectations that now the challenge for us is figuring out a way to keep him in the SUNY family," said King.

Those in attendance at the press conference, which was held in the Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall in Hawkins Hall, gave Clark a standing ovation.

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New Course Management System Debuts in June

New opportunities for online discussion groups, surveys, polls, calendars and course development options are coming to Plattsburgh State when a new course management system goes live in June.

The Angel Course Management System, adopted by the College following a year's worth of review and testing, will provide faculty, staff and students with a full set of online tools and more.

Through a user-friendly, Web-based interface, faculty, staff and students will be able to use Angel wherever a Web browser is handy.

No additional software will need to be installed on the computer for someone to use it.

"Plattsburgh has been patiently waiting for a commercial system that meets published standards from EDUCAUSE, a national association of higher education and information technology," said Cerise Oberman, dean of library and information services. "It can be used to put an entire course online or individual modules for a traditional classroom course. It provides an enormous amount of flexibility for teaching purposes."

Angel offers many practical ways for professors and their students to interact within an integrated online environment. For example, a professor can take advantage of online discussion groups, online "dropboxes" for collecting assignments, create self-assessing quizzes and tests, track attendance and student progress, maintain a grade book and even utilize an online course calendar.

"Course management systems have been around for some time,

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Safe Spring Break Challenge

With spring break (March 13-20) right around the corner, Plattsburgh State students will be reminded to act responsibly with several events scheduled for the week before.

The Panhellenic Council Sororities are sponsoring a presentation, titled, "DUI: A Powerful Lesson," on Tuesday, March 9 at 9 p.m. in the E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium in Hawkins Hall.

Speaker Mark Sterner's life changed drastically when three of his best friends and fraternity brothers were killed in a drinking and driving car crash during spring break 10 years ago. Sterner was at the wheel of the car, intoxicated. He ended up with three felony manslaughter convictions and spent three years in a Florida prison. He was scheduled to be the first in his family to graduate college. Instead, he was the first member of his family to go to prison.

Sterner, who was last here in 2002, will show a video the men made during their trip. Images of laughing college kids driving from one bar to the next are followed by still photos of the car after the crash. The impact is incredible on students who quickly realize the dangers of their own drinking and driving decisions.

Sterner shares his message with high school and college students across the country. To date, he has spoken to nearly a million students.

In addition, BACCHUS/GAMMA, a peer education student organization, will sponsor the Safe Spring Break Challenge the week of March 8 in the Angell College Center. Members of BACCHUS/GAMMA will encourage fellow students to make positive choices during spring break and challenge students to sign pledge cards.

New Member Joins SBDC Staff

Richard Gottschall has been appointed to the staff of the North Country Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at Plattsburgh State. Gottschall will be responsible for assisting businesses throughout five Northern New York counties.

In making the announcement, Delena Clark, director of the center, said, "We are delighted to have such a competent and personable person added to our staff. Rich's expertise in small business management will add much to our organization."

Gottschall earned a bachelor's degree in management from Juniata College in 1989 and a master's degree in international management from the American Graduate School of International Management in 2001.

His career has included director of economic revitalization in Montenegro, small enterprise assistance in Macedonia and owning and operating his own business venture from 1989-1996 in Plattsburgh. He has also taught management and marketing courses as an adjunct faculty member at Plattsburgh State.

Gottschall said, "It is essential to provide a sounding board, an objective opinion as well as research and technical services to develop the confidence level of decision-makers who add to our local economy. It is interesting to work with businesses making difficult decisions in a complex and dynamic environment, and because every situation is different, it is always a challenge to ensure I understand each client's needs."



Gottschall

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but the technology has matured only recently," said Peter Friesen, instructional technology coordinator, who has been preparing Angel for its June release. "Because of Angel's flexibility and modularity, the course management system can serve both as a supplement to classroom-based courses and as a complete package for the delivery of fully online courses."

Faculty members who have already developed an online course through the SUNY Learning Network can opt to continue using the network then over time migrate to Angel. New online courses will now be developed using Angel.

But Angel has numerous applications for use outside of course management. Campus committees and individual departments can take advantage of Angel as well.

For example, a search committee will be able to set up surveys or polls, which are accessible only to members on the committee. Angel can also simplify the record keeping processes of a search. Another example would be departments "talking" amongst themselves using a discussion group through Angel.

"Angel has a much wider application beyond courses," said Oberman. "As we work through the process of getting Angel ready to release, we're discovering the huge amount of applications it has beyond being a course management system."

Another unique feature of Angel will be the calendar function. Each student will have access to a calendar as well as a private file area where they can save documents.

A training program is being

developed that will provide a series of workshops starting in June for faculty to become familiar with Angel.

"Specific workshops will address the components of the course management system individually, for those faculty who wish to use only selected features," said Friesen. "Other workshops will introduce the faculty to the full range of Angel's features."

Both Oberman and Friesen are very excited about this new technology and are confident that faculty, staff and students will find many benefits from this new system.

"The range of enhancements that Angel can provide to all types of teaching and communication needs is sure to generate considerable interest from all campus constituents," said Oberman.

Modest Increases for Room and Board

Inflationary increases and program enhancements are the reasons why meal plan rates and room rents will rise slightly at Plattsburgh State for the 2004-05 academic year.

Wayne Duprey, executive director of College Auxiliary Services, said the cost of residential meal plans will increase between 4.3 and 5.5 percent.

"Besides the inflationary increase, the increase in rates was driven by enhancements made to the meal plan program," said Duprey.

These program enhancements include: Meals on the Move, which allows students to order bag lunches; a new late night period at Little Al's from 9 p.m. to midnight, Sunday - Thursdays that accepts all meal plans; block plans will now be accepted at the Hawkins Patio; block value will increase from \$6 to \$6.25; and a block incentive for residential plans -- buy 10 additional blocks for \$50.

A new Block 170+ Plan will be rolled out for fall 2004 with 15 additional blocks, compared to the Block 155+ Plan for only \$30 more.

Duprey said that the Food Service Committee, comprised of eight students and four non-students accepted

all the enhancements and the slight increase in rates.

"We continue to add flexibility and improve options and choices for the students so that they can get the maximum value from their meal plan," said Duprey. "With the additional hours for Little Al's, there's now a facility somewhere on campus that's open between 7 a.m. and midnight. That's 17 hours out of the day when students can use their meal plan to buy food."

Room Rents

Cathy Moulton, director of housing, said that the room rate increases for next year are less than the increases for the current year.

Room rents will increase by \$80. A designated double room will increase from \$2,100 to \$2,180, and designated single rooms will increase from \$2,200 to \$2,280.

"Most of the increase is due to inflationary and salary increases," said Moulton, who also said that one of the enhancements planned for next year is improvements to the Adirondack Hall courtyard. "We're also buying radios to be used by residence staff in case of an emergency on campus."

Residential Meal Plan Rates Per Semester (2004-05):

Plan	2004-05	2003-04	Change
Carte Blanche	\$1,256	\$1,204	\$52
Flex 15	\$1,114	\$1,068	\$46
Block 170+	\$1,325	NEW PLAN	
Block 155+	\$1,295	\$1,230	\$65
Block 125+	\$1,157	\$1,097	\$60

Room Rent Per Semester (2004-05)

Rent	2004-05	2003-04	Change
Designated Single	\$2,280	\$2,200	\$80
Designated Double	\$2,100	\$2,020	\$80
Double as a Single	\$2,580	\$2,500	\$80
Banks Appt - DSS	\$2,580	\$2,500	\$80
Triple	\$1,560	\$1,500	\$60

Spissinger to Fill Role as CAS President

College Auxiliary Services has a new president. Dr. Susan Spissinger, associate vice president for academic affairs and research, took office during the CAS board meeting on Feb. 25. She replaces Peter Luguri, director of athletics and assistant vice president for student affairs and enrollment management, who served a president for the past four years.

"CAS is a terrific organization that does a lot of good things for this institution and for the students," said Spissinger. "Fifty-percent of the board is composed of students, which is unique. The decisions made reflect student needs and ideas and also respond to the needs of the institution."

CAS is a not-for-profit organization



Spissinger

governed by a 16-member board of which eight are students. CAS services to the College include: dining service, which is subcontracted to Sodexo Campus Services; the College Store (main store, Campus Express and the Book Nook); vending, which is subcontracted to Coca-Cola and All-Seasons; SA shuttle service; conferencing; ID card services; automotive fleet; and owner and manager of Valcour Educational Conference Center and the Twin Valley's Education and Recreation Center.

All surplus revenues are used for the benefit of the College, in furtherance of the College's mission and in accordance with the purposes of the corporation.

Examples of this fiscal support include: Alternative Spring Break,

alcohol/sex/AIDS workshops, scholarship support for the Plattsburgh College Foundation, student academic travel and cultural programs.

As president, Spissinger will help develop agendas for the meetings of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors. She will be an ambassador for CAS to the campus and will provide supervisory direction to the executive director for execution of operations.

Gordon Muir, associate librarian, will replace Spissinger as secretary, and Michael Harrington, president of the Student Association, will fill the role of vice president on the board.

The term of president is a one-year renewable appointment at the discretion of the nominating committee, which is comprised of the Plattsburgh State president and the president of the Student Association.

Traveling Down the Mountain at 60 mph, Headfirst

Almost every kid wants to follow in his father's footsteps some day. Plattsburgh State junior Caleb Smith has taken that desire to a whole new level.

Smith, from Lake Placid, N.Y., commutes to Plattsburgh for classes as an environmental science major, but spends most of his time flying down Mt. Van Hoevenberg at over 60 mile per hour headfirst on a small, lightweight sled.

He is not a daredevil, but rather a world-class skeleton competitor in the Olympic Training program for the United States.

Smith's father, Tom Smith, was a competitive bobsledder as a young adult and gave the sport up to start a family, but his son has carried on the tradition of speeding down the icy track.

"I started in the luge when I was five years old," the younger Smith said. "My dad was a bobsledder when he was younger, so I guess I get it from him."

Skeleton racing has been around for several years, but gained popularity two years ago when the U.S. Olympic Team, led by Jimmy Shea, brought the sport to the American forefront at the 2002 Olympic Games.

The event is run on the same winding ice-covered track that the luge racers use except that skeleton racers go down the course headfirst.

"The skeleton is actually a much more natural position to be on the sled," Smith said. "On the luge, you can't



Smith with his skeleton sled

see where you are going and there is a lot more strain on your body to keep your feet and head off the ice."

Smith finds it difficult to describe the feeling a racer goes through on the way down the steep course.

"It is still a rush to go down the track," Smith said. "The only way I can describe it is to say that if you have a perfect run, it is like a symphony. I guess it would be like skydiving in that it is a wild rush the first time but after a while you get used to it."

Caleb competes on the Europa Cup circuit for skeleton racers competing for a spot on the U.S. National team. There are eight racers at his level of competition and just four spots available on the national team.

As part of the Europa season, Smith competed in the America's Cup, a series of six races with two each in Calgary, Alberta, Salt Lake City, Utah and Lake Placid, N.Y. He finished an impressive second in the series and won both events at Lake Placid.

That is just a sample of the traveling that Smith has done this year. Three weeks ago he was in Winterburg, Germany for the Junior World Championships and finished in second place.

Smith also competes for the Plattsburgh State Track and Field team in the spring during the outdoor portion of the season.

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"Welcome to what's going to be a very happy and historic day here at Plattsburgh State as we welcome our new president," said Clark. "Happy days are here again, and I like it."

Also on stage at the press conference were Robert Garrow and Arnold Amell, former chair and acting chair of the College Council respectively. Amell assumed the role of acting

chair when Garrow stepped down Feb. 29 until a successor is appointed by Governor George Pataki.

King and Clark both thanked Garrow for his long-time service and commitment to Plattsburgh State. Garrow said that he is looking forward to seeing the College continue to grow.

"This is a great and pleasurable day," said Garrow. "We're most

pleased to have Dr. Ettling with us. It's a great start, and we're looking to the future, and certainly I've really enjoyed being a part of this whole search."

Clark will continue as interim president through the May commencement ceremony, and Ettling will begin his tenure as president no later than July 1.

Ettling is planning to visit the campus again during the week of spring break, March 15-19.

"I look forward to working with Bob Golden (provost and vice president for academic affairs), John Homburger (vice president for business affairs), Bill Laundry (interim vice president for student affairs and enrollment management), the senior administrative staff here, and all of you in the community, that is the wider community as well as the campus community, to lead Plattsburgh State to a new level," said Ettling.



Robert Garrow, Dr. John Clark, Dr. John Ettling and Robert King.

SBE Faculty Member Travels to North Africa

Dr. Mohamed Djerdouri, professor in the School of Business and Economics, was recently awarded a U.S. Agency for International Development/U.S. Department of State grant to support an Institutional Partnership in Higher Education for International Development between Plattsburgh State and the Institut National de Commerce (INC).

Djerdouri traveled to Algeria to visit INC in Algiers, the partner institution. While there, he met with Dr. Saadi, the INC director general and the partnership project co-director, who expressed his appreciation that the INC has been selected to be the partner institution and the commitment and dedication of the INC staff and faculty to the success of this project. Saadi is expected to visit Plattsburgh State sometime this month.

"I visited the institution and met with students and faculty members," said Djerdouri. "I also held meetings with the three Algerian INC professors who will visit Plattsburgh State in late summer."

Djerdouri and the three professors reviewed potential research project proposals and developed a set of activities they will undertake while in Plattsburgh.

Djerdouri was invited to speak at the INC Monday Seminar Series. About 100 people including faculty members, students and many guests from outside INC attended the presentation. Djerdouri spoke about the use of mathematical models to measure performance.



Dr. Djerdouri (in the middle), Dr. Saadi (to his left) and faculty members from the Institut de Commerce.

Djerdouri also visited the Ministry of Industry in Algiers and met with the director of quality improvement at the ministry.

"I proposed a research project I want to work on with the INC colleagues concerning Algerian companies and quality management practices," said Djerdouri. "The director expressed interest in the project and assured me all the help needed to carry out this important project."

Spotlight on faculty and staff

Michele Carpentier, director of student support services, **Marcia Gottschall**, writing skills instructor, and **Anne Petro**, mathematics instructor, were nominated for inclusion in *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*. All three members of Student Support Services

were nominated by former students, none of whom had any connection to each besides their own academic excellence. Each student may nominate one individual after they have been named themselves to either *Who's Who Among American High School Students* or the *National Dean's List*.

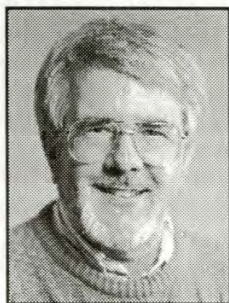
Dr. Peter Conrad, professor and chair of biological sciences, and **Janice Marchut Conrad**, lecturer in biological sciences, co-authored the paper, "Using Small Groups and Research Projects to Teach Science," which is included in the book, *Multiple Intelligences: Howard Gardner and New Methods*

in College Teaching. This book, published in 2003 by New Jersey City University, is an outcome of what has been described as "a national leadership conference" held at NJCU in the fall of 2001. The conference featured 35 invited presentations dedicated to "innovative methods of teaching in higher education."

Dr. Susana Yu, assistant professor of economics and finance, has co-authored the paper, "Can Simple Buy and Sell Rules Increase Index Future Day Trading Profitability," which appeared in the *Journal of Investment Management*.



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FOCUS Calendar

Friday, March 5 - Thursday, April 1

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

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7 p.m. Freshmen Emerging Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

7 p.m. Building Healthy Relationships Presentation, sponsored by the Violence Prevention Project, the Center for Student Health and Psychological Services and Women's Studies. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

9 p.m. Guest Speaker Mark Sterner, presents "DUI: A Powerful Lesson." Sponsored by Panhellenic Council. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10

9 a.m. Diversity Enlightenment Session with VSAC, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

11:30 a.m. Student Conservation Assoc. Info. Table, sponsored by Career Development Center. Angell College Center Lobby 2.

12 p.m. Facilities In The Strategic Plan Meeting, sponsored by Geography Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

2 p.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, presents "Delivering a Dynamic Interview." Sponsored by the Career Development Office. Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.

7 p.m. Student Conservation Association, Internship Presentations, sponsored by Earth and Environmental Science Club. Hudson Hall 106.

THURSDAY, MARCH 11

12 p.m. EOP Spring Academic Recognition Ceremony, sponsored by Educational Opportunity Program (EOP). Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, presents Elizabeth Boolukos speaking on "Middle Eastern Dance from a feminist perspective." Sponsored by the Women's Studies Department with assistance from CAS. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:30 p.m. Presentation by Dr. John Clark, -- talking to liberal arts students about non-academic careers, sponsored by the Philosophy Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:30 p.m. Jeopardy Challenge, sponsored by Learning Center. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

THURSDAY, MARCH 11

8 a.m. State & Local Anti-Terrorism Training, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

SPRING BREAK

Saturday, March 13 - Sunday, March 21.

FRIDAY, MARCH 19

8 a.m. Pervasive Developmental Disorders Conference, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

SUNDAY, MARCH 21

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie, sponsored by Student Association. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, MARCH 22

3 p.m. Greek Leadership Series, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. Greek Future Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

TUESDAY, MARCH 23

10 a.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, presents "Choosing/Changing a Major or Career." Sponsored by the Career Development Office. Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.

12 p.m. TEAM Mentees Rap Session, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

4:30 p.m. Tuesday Reflections, sponsored by Arts & Sciences. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

4:30 p.m. Panel Discussion; Student Civic Engagement, sponsored by American Democracy Project. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

4:30 p.m. Asia Update, sponsored by Asian Studies. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

7 p.m. Freshmen Emerging Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

10 a.m. E-mail Migration Presentation, sponsored by Computing & Media Services. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

5 p.m. Domestic Violence & Stalking Policy, sponsored by Office For Violence Prevention. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, presents Vickie Poulin, Sexual

Assault Nurse Examiner speaking about Sexual Assault Awareness.

Sponsored by the Women's Studies Department with assistance from CAS. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

12:30 p.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, presents "Creating Resumes and Cover Letters." Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.

5 p.m. Domestic Violence & Stalking Policy, sponsored by Office For Violence Prevention. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. CDPI Film Series and WRAP Session, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

8 p.m. Film: Bush in 30 Seconds, sponsored by College Democrats. Yokum Hall 205.

8 p.m. Preliminary Round of Caribbean Jeopardy, sponsored by Club Caribbean. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

FRIDAY, MARCH 26

6 p.m. Open Mic Night w/ Tom Rooney, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Point Snack Bar.

9 p.m. Party, sponsored by FUERZA. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

11 a.m. Conference, sponsored by FUERZA. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

7 p.m. Film Showing, sponsored by Asian Club. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. Party, sponsored by FUERZA. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. CVOS and Choral Union Concert, Plattsburgh State student tickets \$2 available at the Angell College Center Desk. All other tickets available from CVOS members or at the

door. General \$14, Seniors/Students \$12. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie, sponsored by Student Association. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, MARCH 29

7 p.m. Greek Future Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

TUESDAY, MARCH 30

3 p.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, presents "Preparing for a Career Fair." Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meetings. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

7 p.m. Freshmen Emerging Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

12 p.m. Diversity

Enlightenment Session -- Open to All, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Yokum Room 200.

7 p.m. Legacy Of Hope, sponsored by the Eastern Adirondack Health Care Network. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

8 a.m. Bi-polar Disorders and Tourettes Syndrome Workshop, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:15 p.m. Etiquette Series, sponsored by Marketing Association. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

6 p.m. CDPI Faculty Panel Discussion Series, "Social Invisibility and the Marginalized Experience," sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Krinovitz Recital Hall.

7:30 p.m. Visual Artist Series, sponsored by Art Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

One-Person Exhibition Opens March 11

The Plattsburgh State Art Museum presents "Family and Friends," an interpretive exhibition by Deb Mell, opening on March 11 and continuing through April 9.

Mell's mixed media, primarily two-dimensional works are visual representations of personal mythologies derived from her collection of "things" and her relationships with friends and family. Her choice of materials includes various found objects, self-made paper, oil paint, beads and wood.

Mell has exhibited throughout New York, New Jersey, Virginia, Louisiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and in Denmark and was the recipient of the Dodge Foundation Fellowship for Virginia Center for the Creative Arts in 1999, 2001 and 2003. Her education includes studies at Illinois State University, Brooklyn Museum Art School and in Garrigues, France.

A lecture by the artist will take place on Thursday, March 11 at 4 p.m. in the Burke Gallery located in Myers Fine Arts Building with the opening reception immediately following until 6 p.m. Both events are open to the public.

Greeks Honored for Academic Excellence

Social events aren't the only thing fraternity and sorority members focus on. Academics are a pivotal aspect in the Greek community. "I think the reason Greeks have been excelling academically is because we feel obligated to our brothers, sisters and ourselves to do well," keynote speaker Stephen Sweet, a senior history major from Penfield, N.Y., told members of the Greek community in attendance at the semiannual Greek Scholarship Recognition Ceremony on Feb. 3. "One of the main principles of Greek life is striving for excellence and today shows how much we truly have accomplished that goal."

The pillars of Greek life include friendship, leadership development, social interaction, service and philanthropy and scholarship.

The ceremony recognized members of Plattsburgh State University of New York fraternities and sororities for their academic achievement. The awards began with members of chapters with a G.P.A. of 3.0 or above being honored. Of sororities, Alpha Phi had the most with 15 members. Sigma Tau Gamma had the most for fraternities with 17 members recognized.

"I am so proud of Alpha Phi. We have only been on campus for six years and it seems like every year gets better and better for us," said Dianna Potter, president of Alpha Phi and a senior psychology major from South Glens Falls.

Special Awards were also presented at the ceremony. The Council Officer with the Highest G.P.A. was awarded to Pi Alpha Nu brother Scott Wessner, a senior political science major from Tuxedo Park, N.Y. Chapter President with the Highest G.P.A. was awarded to Phi Kappa Chi sister Heather Gilbert, a senior special education major from Monroe, N.Y., for her impressive 3.95 G.P.A. Sigma Tau Gamma member Michael Kass, a junior secondary

education major from Commack, N.Y., was awarded New Fraternity Member with Highest G.P.A. Theta Alpha Lambda member Jessie Cassada, a junior cytotechnology major from Norwood, N.Y., was awarded New Sorority Member with the Highest G.P.A.

The founding members of Gamma Sigma Alpha were also recognized at the ceremony. They signed the charter for Plattsburgh State's newest honor society for Greeks. Members of Gamma Sigma Alpha must have a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.5 or higher during their junior or senior year or receive a semester G.P.A. of 3.5 or higher their junior or senior year.

After the signing, Cheryl Decker, president of the Panhellenic Council and a member of Alpha Epsilon Phi, presented awards especially for the sororities. Alpha Epsilon Phi and Sigma Delta Tau shared the award for Most Improved Sorority G.P.A. Alpha Epsilon Phi also won Highest Sorority G.P.A. and Highest Sorority New Member G.P.A.

"I am honored to present these awards to my organization," said Decker, a business major from Watervliet, N.Y. "Alpha Epsilon Phi is improving, and I am glad to see our scholarship program is working out for the sisters."

The awards ceremony was hosted by the Center for Greek Affairs. Allison Swick-Duttine, coordinator for Greek Affairs and Leadership Development, reminded chapters how to excel academically. "Strive for academic excellence, have higher standards to accept members, create an academic plan for your chapter and provide support for those members who need it."

The All-Greek G.P.A. has been steadily increasing every semester. For the past two years, the All-Greek G.P.A. (2.69) has been higher than the All-Campus G.P.A. (2.67).

-- by Alexa Gordon, Public Relations Intern

Cardinal Points Honored

Cardinal Points, the student newspaper at Plattsburgh State has been named an All-American newspaper for the Fall 2003 semester by the Associated Collegiate Press. This All-American designation marks the fifth such ranking for the newspaper.

Along with its All-American ranking, *Cardinal Points* received four Marks of Distinction in the following areas: coverage and content; writing and editing; layout and design; and leadership.

Student editors for the Fall 2003 semester were: Katie Holscher, editor-in-chief; Anthony Malakian, managing editor; April Amadon, news editor; Kevin Goodwin, associate news editor; Eric Heredia, life editor; Sarah Brooks, associate life editor; Derek Constable, sports editor; Rueben Ortiz-Diaz, associate sports editor; Matthew Iglar, opinions editor; Michael Betts, photography editor; Enca Miller, associate photography editor; and Mike Coulter, layout director.

Shawn Murphy, associate professor of journalism, is the faculty adviser to *Cardinal Points*.

The All-American is a national award for journalism excellence in student publications at institutions of higher education. Colleges and universities of all sizes compete together for the All-American. The honor is bestowed on only about 20 percent of college newspapers nationwide, and it is awarded by semester.



The Plattsburgh State Art Museum and Senior Exhibition Class present the Undergraduate Juried Exhibition 2004, which opened Feb. 27 and continues through April 5. The exhibition features works by 28 students, which are derived from a broad range of studio art disciplines, including painting, drawing, graphic design, photography, sculpture, ceramics and printmaking. The exhibition is located in the Myers Fine Arts Building Lobby Gallery and is free and open to the public.

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Canada's Chief Justice to Visit College

The Center for the Study of Canada at Plattsburgh State will host the Right Honorable Beverly McLachlin, the chief justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, for the second Annual Distinguished Canadian Address.

Chief Justice McLachlin will give a public presentation, "Protecting Human Rights: A Comparative View of the United States and Canada," on Monday, April 5 at 3:15 p.m. in the Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall, Hawkins Hall.

Dr. Christopher Kirkey, director of the Center for the Study of Canada, said the Annual Distinguished Canadian Address, which is free and open to the public, recognizes those individuals who have made profoundly positive contributions to Canadian public life.

"The goal of the program is to bring to campus a person of high stature with an international reputation. We have a mandate to make important contributions to the College and to bring people to campus who are well recognized in their respective fields. I'm very excited that the Chief Justice is coming to visit Plattsburgh."



The Right Honorable Beverly McLachlin

Michael Kergin, Canada's ambassador to the United States, was the first participant in the Distinguished Canadian Address Program last year.

The Supreme Court consists of the Chief Justice of Canada and eight other justices appointed by the Governor. McLachlin presides at all sittings of the court at which she is present and divides the work of the court by choosing the panels of justices to hear the cases and motions brought before it.

She is chairperson of the Canadian Judicial Council, which is composed of all Chief Justices and Associate Chief Justices of superior courts in Canada. This body, established by the Judges Act, organizes

continuing education for federally appointed judges, coordinates the discussion of issues of concern to the judiciary and conducts inquiries into the conduct of any federally appointed judge.

Chief Justice McLachlin, born in Pincher Creek, Alberta, joined the Bar of Alberta in 1969 and the Bar of British Columbia in 1971. She practiced law with Wood,

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Dr. Mark Cohen Named Distinguished Professor

Dr. Mark Cohen has been promoted to the rank of SUNY Distinguished Professor by the State University of New York Board of Trustees.

This academic rank is the highest honor that SUNY can bestow. Cohen is the first faculty member at Plattsburgh State to achieve this rank. He formerly held the rank of SUNY Distinguished Teaching Professor of Anthropology.

"Mark Cohen is the model of the scholar/teacher, teacher/scholar," said Dr. John Clark, interim president of Plattsburgh State.

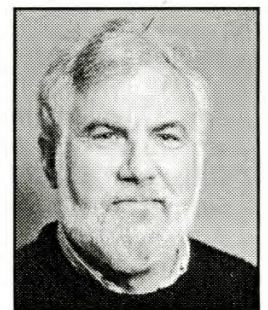
"While his research and scholarship are truly landmark and groundbreaking, he is also an exceptionally gifted and highly effective teacher who mentors and challenges students to strive for excellence."

The rank of Distinguished Professor recognizes a SUNY faculty member's national and international prominence as an exceptional scholar through a significant contribution to the research literature.

It also recognizes faculty who have raised the standards of scholarship and that the scholarly activity is of such high caliber that

scholars and students elsewhere in SUNY would benefit from their presence.

Cohen, a member of the Plattsburgh State faculty since 1971, has gained numerous honors and recognition for his scholarship,



Cohen

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National ODK Convention Honors Plattsburgh State Members

Several people from Plattsburgh State were honored recently at the National ODK Convention in Norfolk, Va.

Bryan Hartman, director of residence life, was one of eight persons nationwide to be selected to receive an Eldridge W. Roark Meritorious Service Award. Roark was vice president for student affairs at Plattsburgh State who retired in 1999 after 20 years of service to the College.

Hartman's award was primarily based on his work with the Emerging High School Leader Program for the last nine years as well as serving the last two years as Province One (New York and New England States) faculty director. He was reelected to another two-year term as faculty director.

William Laundry, interim vice president for stu-



Hartman



Laundry



Cashman

dent affairs and enrollment management, was selected as one of two recipients of the ODK Distinguished Service Key. This honor is awarded to individuals who have "rendered outstanding and conspicuous service to Omicron Delta Kappa."

Michael Cashman, a graduate student from Ballston Spa, N.Y., was elected by the delegates to serve a two-year term as national student vice president of the ODK board of directors.

The Plattsburgh contingent was joined at the convention by two alumnae - Ann Kelly Resnick '79, vice president of marketing for Columbia House, and JoAnn Murtha Romano '85, who was there as a member of the Board of Trustees of the ODK Foundation.

Affirmative Action Advisory Committee Formed

Dr. John Clark, interim president of Plattsburgh State, has announced the appointment of members to the Affirmative Action Advisory Committee.

This committee will recommend policy on affirmative action to the president and review implementation of that policy. The committee, which will be chaired by Marlene Fields, will also work with Dr. Lynda Ames, professor of sociology and the college's affirmative action officer. She was appointed to that position Jan. 15.

The committee held its first meeting on March 24. Members of the committee are:

- * Marlene Fields, director of EOP (chair)
- * Dr. Michele Carpentier, director of student support services
- * Andre Cordon, senior admissions advisor
- * Dr. Lonnie Fairchild, assistant professor of computer science

- * Dr. Mohamed Gaber, associate professor and chair of accounting
- * Beth King, cleaner
- * Albert Mihalek, executive assistant to the dean of arts and science
- * Dr. Jose Torres-Padilla, associate professor of English
- * Dr. Douglas Skopp, distinguished teaching professor of history
- * Dr. Melinda Wu, assistant professor of earth and environmental science
- * Diana LaPorte, assistant vice president for business affairs and director of management services
- * Arlene Sabo, chief of university police
- * Dr. Kathy Haendigis, counselor in the Student Health Center

Anyone with concerns about affirmative action can contact Dr. Ames at 564-3303.

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teaching and service to the campus.

He is one of Plattsburgh's only two Guggenheim Fellows, during which time he served as a visiting scholar at Cambridge University. A former fellow of the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford, he held a Fulbright Lectureship while serving as a visiting professor at Hebrew University. He was also a visiting professor at the University of Sydney.

Cohen is a recipient of the Chancellor's Award for Excellence

in Teaching and the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Scholarship.

He also holds the Phi Eta Sigma Outstanding Professor Teaching Award and is the author of five books including the award-winning *Culture of Intolerance*.

"I am extraordinarily proud of this promotion because it is a very rare award that represents the significance and quality of contributions I have made to large-scale theory in anthropology at an international level," said Cohen. "The

honor recognizes a significant role that I have played in successfully challenging the prevailing 'progress' model of cultural evolution that we consider 'common knowledge.'"

Many of his recent articles were by invitation to conferences. The most recent of these papers were presented at a conference in St. Petersburg, Russia.

His work has been discussed in *Newsweek*, *Discover Magazine*, *U.S. News and World Report*, *Science*, and *Scientific American*.

Luguri, Cole to Assume New Duties in Student Affairs

Peter Luguri will assume new duties in his continuing role as assistant vice president for student affairs and enrollment management at Plattsburgh State when he resigns his position as director of athletics effective April 1, a title he has held since 1987. Luguri has served as assistant vice president since 1986.



Luguri



Cole

Cheryl Cole, head women's basketball coach and assistant athletic director, will serve as interim director while a search for a permanent athletic director is conducted. She will continue as head women's basketball coach once a new athletic director is named.

Luguri said the time was right for him to redirect his energy and the rest of his career in Student Affairs even though he has enjoyed his duties as athletic director.

"I have been very fortunate as director of athletics to have worked with a terrific staff during the past 17 years. In my role as assistant vice president for student affairs and enrollment

management, I am looking forward to expanding my duties in student affairs and assisting in the many changes that are continuing to occur in the division."

John Clark, interim college president, thanked Luguri for his many years of service as director of athletics.

"Peter has provided leadership and stability in a department that has seen considerable growth in sports, teams and student athletes," said Clark. "While the athletic director may not be the coach on the field, on the court or on the ice, Peter has proven to be one of those special individuals whose sup-

port for our student athletes is unquestionable. I am pleased that we will be able to build upon his talents and expertise in Student Affairs."

Among Luguri's duties as assistant vice president for student affairs and enrollment management, he will oversee supervision of the Educational Opportunity, Student Support Services, Upward Bound and Recreation programs and the Fitness Center. He will serve on the Student Affairs Vice President's Cabinet and Council, the Provost's Academic Council and as a divisional representative on the Retention Council in addition to other recruitment and retention efforts.

Clark thanked Cole for stepping "up to the plate" and assuming the position on an interim basis. "This is a difficult and demanding job as an athletic director. I know Cheryl will be able to successfully take over the duties in the short term while a search for a permanent athletic director is conducted."

Career Night April 8

"What's next?" This may be a question on the minds of many college students as they speed toward graduation. The Career Development Center (CDC) at Plattsburgh State helps students figure out their career goals and how to achieve them.

To that end, the CDC offers a myriad of services and events for students when it comes to investigating career choices and employment opportunities.

One of the most important events that the CDC sponsors for students is the annual Career Night, which will be held on Thursday, April 8. Carolyn Delcore, director of the CDC, said this event is important for the career development of students.

"Students have a chance to learn more about career opportunities, and they get experience presenting themselves directly to employers," said Delcore.

Approximately 50 to 60 businesses and organizations attend Career Night, which is now in its 28th year. "We expect representatives from local and regional businesses and government agencies. We will have some summer employers and others looking for interns," said Delcore.

Banks, hospitals and other non-profit organizations also attend Career Night.

"We encourage students to avail themselves of opportunities to develop the skills and tools to market themselves effectively in the competitive global economy that we know they will be entering," said Delcore.

For more information on Career Night, contact the Career Development Center at 564-2071.

Middle States Visit April 5 & 6

A team from the Middle States Commission on Higher Education will revisit Plattsburgh State on Monday and Tuesday, April 5 and 6.

The Commission reaffirmed accreditation of Plattsburgh State in July 2002 with a requirement that the College submit an interim report by April 1, 2004. The interim report, which included the self-study recommendations and Middle States evaluation team and commission suggestions, has been completed.

The visiting team consists of two members from the Commission and one from SUNY Central. While on campus, this group will talk with various key personnel, members of the administration, unit directors and department chairs.

Two primary areas of interest to the group will be the progress made on planning and assessment. A copy of the interim report is available online at www.plattsburgh.edu/midstates.

College Council Meeting

The next regularly scheduled College Council meeting will be held on Thursday, April 8 at 9:30 a.m. in the Alumni Conference Room, Hawkins Hall. In addition to regular campus reports and updates, there will be a report on admissions statistics for the Fall 2004 semester and an update on the Institute on Quebec Studies. The council will also tour of the new Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Management facility in Sibley Hall. The meeting is open to the public.

Men, Women Ice Hockey Teams Finish Brilliant Seasons

Both the men's and women's hockey teams finished brilliant seasons last weekend.

Men Skate to SUNYAC Championship

The men finished the SUNYAC regular season with an undefeated 12-0-2 record, the 17th Conference championship and the 17th NCAA tournament appearance.

Sophomores David Friel, from Mississauga, Ont., and Craig Neilson, from Markham, Ont., led the Plattsburgh offense and defense respectively throughout the season.

Friel led the team in scoring with 24 goals through the regular season and SUNYAC playoffs.

Neilson was the mainstay in the Plattsburgh goal with more than 500 saves, a save percentage of .913 and a goals against average of 2.38. His season totals were second only to Niklas Sundberg in the Plattsburgh State record book.

Both players, along with Chad Kemp, from Glencoe, Ont., earned first-team All-SUNYAC honors and was named SUNYAC Tournament MVP as he led the Cardinals to a pair of overtime victories against Oswego.

The men hosted Curry College in a NCAA quarterfinal game on March 13 and won its third consecutive overtime game to advance to the Frozen Four at Norwich University. Plattsburgh lost to top-seeded St. Norbert on March 19. Kemp was honored with a second-team All-American award.

Ladies Show Their Grit

The Lady Cardinals spent three weeks as the number one team in the country and finished the regular season with a 19-4-2 overall record and a perfect 12-0-0 record in the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) West Division.

The Plattsburgh women earned a bid to their first NCAA Tournament since the program was started three years ago and hosted a quarterfinal game against Bowdoin College.

The Cardinals advanced to the Women's Frozen Four with a 2-1 win and lost to host Middlebury College in the semifinals by the same score. The team rebounded to defeat Manhattanville, 4-2, in the consolation game and took third place honors.

Elizabeth Gibson, from Kingston, Ont., earned first-team All-American honors while Erin O'Brien, from Pickering, Ont., and goalie Carolyn Roy, from London, Ont., were second-team selections.



The men were crowned SUNYAC champs on March 6.



The Lady Cards claimed third place at the NCAA tournament.

Canadian Justice (Continued from Page 1)

Moir, Hyde and Ross, in Edmonton (1969-71), with Thomas, Herdy, Mitchell & Co., in Fort St. John, B.C. (1971-72) and with Bull, Housser & Tupper, in Vancouver (1972-75).

From 1974 to 1981, she taught at the University of British Columbia and left as a tenured professor. She was appointed to the County Court of Vancouver in 1981 and then to the Supreme Court of British Columbia in 1981. In 1985, she was appointed to the Court of Appeal of British Columbia and then to Chief

Justice of the Supreme Court of British Columbia in 1988. She was then appointed to the Supreme Court of Canada in 1989 and became Chief Justice of Canada in 2000.

"In the North Country, Plattsburgh State is the venue for intellectual stimulating of ideas. Programs such as this one enhances our recognition in the North Country and within SUNY itself," said Kirkey. "Through inviting distinguished guests to campus, the College is doing very good things.

We're able to bring to the community an opportunity they wouldn't otherwise be exposed to, which fits in with our educational mission to the students and the general public."

The Center for the Study of Canada at Plattsburgh State is one of the largest and most prominent Canadian studies centers in the U.S. and enjoys a worldwide reputation.

For more information on Canadian studies or the upcoming visit by the Chief Justice, contact Dr. Kirkey at 564-2086.

Eastern Adirondack Health Care Network Presents *Legacy of Hope*

The Eastern Adirondack Health Care Network (EAHCN), in collaboration with the Plattsburgh Campus-Community Partnership and Chazy Communities That Care, is bringing the nationally acclaimed, powerful theatrical presentation, *Legacy of Hope* to Clinton County.

This one-woman show features Susie Vanderlip who portrays a series of characters representing family members in alcoholic, addicted, abusive or neglectful families over three generations.

Vanderlip will present two shows. The first show, Monday, March 29, will be at 7 p.m. in the auditorium at the Chazy Central Rural School, Route 9, Chazy.

The second show will be Wednesday, March 31 at 7 p.m. in the E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium in Hawkins Hall at Plattsburgh State. Thanks to local sponsorship, these events are free and open to the public.

Yvonne Lott, community mental health coordinator at EAHCN, said that Vanderlip's last show was in 2002 at Northeastern Clinton Central School and more than 400 people were in the audience.

"By combining dance and drama, the show appeals to a variety of audiences," said Lott. "It is a powerful experience because she connects with everyone in some kind of way."

During *Legacy of Hope*, significant current prevention issues are addressed as well as issues of self-esteem,

character, responsible behaviors and emotional intelligence. The relationship between drinking/substance abuse and irresponsible sexuality, teen violence, teen pregnancy, AIDS, depression, suicide, gangs and domestic abuse is vividly portrayed. Then a concrete message of hope and possibilities is delivered.

Through the power of *Legacy of Hope*, Vanderlip creates a profound bond of trust and safety with audiences, particularly young people. The show provides a universal message that cuts across cultural, gender and age boundaries. Vanderlip also makes herself available for youth and adults to talk one-on-one with her after the program.

"These two events are the result of a true collaborative partnership with Plattsburgh State, EAHCN, and numerous agencies and organizations throughout the North Country," said Lott.

Funding for these two events were provided by: Chazy Parent Teacher Organization, Chazy Safe and Drug Free Schools Committee, Seton Catholic Central School, EAHCN, Plattsburgh City School District, Plattsburgh State Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, the Chazy Lions Club, Riley Ford in Chazy, the Chazy's Teachers' Association, Gregware Farm, Yankee Farm Credit and Giroux's Poultry.

For more information about *Legacy of Hope*, contact EAHCN at 564-3369.

Spotlight on faculty and staff

Three members of the Anthropology Department participated in an organized panel at the 102nd Annual Meetings of the American Anthropological Association in Chicago, Nov. 19-23, 2003. **Dr. Deborah Altamirano**, associate professor, co-organized the panel, "Peaceful Violence and Violent Peace: Questioning Boundaries and Definitions," and presented a paper, "War in the Time of Peace: Resistance and Conflict in 'Post-War' Greece." **Dr. Amy Mountcastle**, assistant professor, chaired the panel and presented a paper titled, "Violence, Human Rights and Political Order: The Tibet Case." **Dr. James Armstrong**, professor, presented

his insights on the current situation in the Middle East in his paper, "Israelis and Palestinians: Between War and Peace."

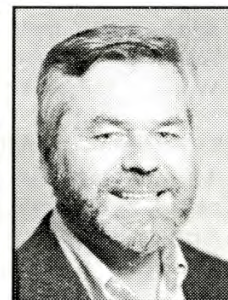
Dr. Gordon Pollard, chair of anthropology, presented a research paper titled, "The Clintonville Site and the Bloomery Forges of Clinton County, New York" in a session on Early American Ironmaking at the 34th annual meeting of the Middle Atlantic Archaeological Conference in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, March 12-14.

Dr. Richard Robbins, distinguished teaching professor of anthropology, is the editor of the book, *Talking Points on Global Issues: A Reader*, published by Allyn & Bacon Publishers. In addition, he presented a keynote address, "The Political Economy of Twinkies: An Inquiry into the Real Cost of Things," delivered at a Conference on Globalization and

Community. The address was published in the volume, *Globalization and Community: A Canadian Perspective*. Robbins also recently presented a workshop on the effects of business on culture at Chestnut Hill College in Philadelphia.



Altamirano



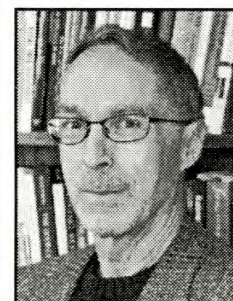
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Friday, March 26 - Tuesday, April 13

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

FRIDAY, MARCH 26

9 a.m. Crossing Borders 2004, sponsored by the Center for the Study of Canada. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

12 p.m. Crossing Borders 2004-luncheon, sponsored by the Center for the Study of Canada. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

4 p.m. ODK Meeting. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

5:30 p.m. Multicultural Club Forum, sponsored by Student Association. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

6 p.m. Open Mic Night w/ Tom Rooney, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Point Snack Bar.

7 and 8:30 p.m. North Country Planetarium Show, presents "Springtime Ephemeris 2004." Tickets: \$2 general admission, on sale at the Angell College Center Desk. Hudson Hall Planetarium.

9 p.m. First Annual Gala, sponsored by FUERZA. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

11 a.m. First Annual Gala, sponsored by FUERZA. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

4 p.m. Belly Dance Workshop, sponsored by Asian Club. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. Film Showing, sponsored by Asian Club. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. First Annual Gala, sponsored by FUERZA. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. A German Requiem, by Johannes Brahms, performed by the Champlain

Valley Oratorio Society, Plattsburgh State Choral Union and the Cardinal Singers with a full orchestra. Tickets: \$4 SA Members, available at the Angell College Center Desk only until 5 pm on Friday, March 26. All other tickets available from CVOS members, Imagine That Toys, Council on the Arts or at the door. General \$14, Seniors/Students \$12. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie, presents "Paycheck." Admission: free for SA Members with ID, \$2 faculty/staff, \$3 public, tickets on sale at the Angell College Center Desk only. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, MARCH 29

8 a.m. Upward Bound Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 2.

7 p.m. Greek Future Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

TUESDAY, MARCH 30

3 p.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, presents "Preparing for a Career Fair." Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meetings. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

7 p.m. Freshmen Emerging Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

12 p.m. Diversity Enlightenment Session --

Open to All, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Yokum Hall 200.

5 p.m. Faculty Forum on Ethical Values on Campus, sponsored by UUP. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. Legacy Of Hope, sponsored by the Eastern Adirondack Health Care Network. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

8 a.m. Bi-polar Disorders and Tourettes Syndrome Workshop, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

12 p.m. Fossil Fools Day of Action, sponsored by Environmental Action Committee. Angell College Center Amite Plaza.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:15 p.m. Etiquette Series, sponsored by Marketing Association. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

6 p.m. CDPI Faculty Panel Discussion Series, "Social Invisibility and the Marginalized Experience." Sponsored by the Center for

Diversity, Pluralism and Inclusion. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

7:30 p.m. Visual Artist Series, sponsored by Art Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

FRIDAY, APRIL 2

7 p.m. Mr. Plattsburgh Competition, sponsored by T.A.W.S. Tickets: \$2 SA, \$3 general admission, on sale at the Angell College Center Desk. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

7 p.m. IVCF Coffeehouse, sponsored by Intervarsity Christian Fellowship. Angell College Center Point Snack Bar.

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

8 a.m. National Alliance for Mental Illness Conference, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

5 p.m. Global Rhythms Tour, sponsored by the President's Office, Music Department and Multicultural Programming. Tickets: Free for SA Members, \$2 for non-PSU students under 18 and \$5 general admission, on sale at the Angell College Center

Summer Program Employment Opportunities

The Educational Opportunity Program is seeking applications for the following positions:

Program Coordinator -- responsible for the day-to-day operation of summer program activities. Salary \$1,600.

Tutor/Counselors -- provide tutoring in math, writing and/or reading to pre-freshmen. Serve as resident assistants for the summer program. Salary \$1,350.

Room and Board will be provided for both positions. Tentative dates of employment are June 28 - July 30. Applications and full job descriptions are available in the EOP Office, Algonquin Hall, Room 103. Review of applications and interviews will begin on April 5 and continue until all positions are filled.

Desk and the door. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

10 p.m. PSU Late Night presents Robert Channing, Mentalist. Angell Center Warren Ballroom B.

SUNDAY, APRIL 4

7 p.m. Student Recital, Kohei Toyoda, sponsored by Music Department. Krinovitz Recital Hall.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie, presents "Last Samurai." Admission: free for SA Members with ID, \$2 faculty/staff, \$3 public, tickets on sale at the Angell College Center Desk only. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, APRIL 5

3 p.m. Distinguished Canadian Address, sponsored by Canadian Studies, Center. Krinovitz Recital Hall, Hawkins Hall.

4:30 p.m. JCEO Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

7 p.m. Greek Future Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

TUESDAY, APRIL 6

10 a.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, presents "Preparing for a Career Fair." Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.

4:30 p.m. Tuesday Reflections, sponsored by Arts & Sciences. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. Freshmen Emerging Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

7 p.m. Date Rape Program and Video Presentation, sponsored by Center for Student Health & Psychological Services. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7

10 a.m. Food Show, sponsored by Sodexo. Angell Center Warren Ballrooms.

10:30 a.m. Alcohol Screening Information Table, sponsored by Student Health Services. Angell College Center Lobby 1.

6:30 p.m. Graduate Student Research Presentation, sponsored by Earth & Environmental Science Club. Hudson 106.

7 p.m. Poetry Reading & Discussion with Sally Fiedler, sponsored by English Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. National Alcohol Screening and Program, sponsored by Interfraternity Council, Center for Greek Affairs and the Center for Student Health and Psychological Services. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

THURSDAY, APRIL 8

12 p.m. New Member Workshop, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

3 p.m. International Education Meeting. Angell Center Meeting Room 1.

7 p.m. Battle of Plattsburgh Quiz Show, sponsored by SA Organization Affairs Board. Angell College Center Point Snack Bar.

7:30 p.m. Shelly Johnson -- Sea Kayak Lecture, sponsored by Adirondack Experience Program. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

9 p.m. Candlelight Vigil - Sexual Assault Awareness, sponsored by Center for Student Health & Psychological Services. Angell College Center Amite Plaza.

FRIDAY, APRIL 9

6 p.m. Open Mic Night w/ Tom Rooney, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Point Snack Bar.

7 and 8:30 p.m. North Country Planetarium Show, presents "Martian Mystique." Tickets: \$2 general admission, on sale at the Angell College Center Desk. Hudson Hall Planetarium.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10

6 p.m. Variety Show, sponsored by Macomb Hall Council. Tickets: \$2 in advance from the ACC Desk and \$3 at the door. Angell Center Warren Ballrooms.

7 p.m. Film Showing, sponsored by Asian Club. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

SUNDAY, APRIL 11

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie, presents "Something's Gotta Give." Admission: free for SA Members with ID, \$2 faculty/staff, \$3 public, tickets on sale at the Angell College Center Desk only. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, APRIL 12

12:15 p.m. Chapter Accreditation Program Meeting, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

3 p.m. Greek Leadership Series. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. Greek Future Leaders Seminar. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

12 p.m. Student Athletes' Academic Honors Luncheon. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

12 p.m. UUP Luncheon. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Monthly Meetings. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. CDPI Film Series and WRAP Session, sponsored by Center for Diversity Pluralism & Inclusion. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

7:30 p.m. The Yellow Dress -- A one-person Play, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Krinovitz Recital Hall.

Alcohol Screening Program April 7

The Center for Student Health and Psychological Services and the Interfraternity Council will once again co-sponsor National Alcohol Screening Day on Wednesday, April 7.

To kick off the event, an information table will be set up from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Angell College Center Lobby. Material on alcohol abuse will be available and a counselor will be on hand to answer questions.

The evening program will begin at 7 p.m. in the Plattsburgh Room, Angell College Center. The educational presentation is designed to raise public awareness about the consequences of at-risk drinking and alcohol's effect on general health. In addition, individuals who believe that they or a friend may be experiencing an alcohol problem are invited to take part in an alcohol screening and will benefit from a 10-minute meeting with a counselor to discuss the results of the screening and to provide referrals.

Screenings are free and anonymous. Refreshments will be provided. For more information, contact the Counseling and Psychological Services at 564-3086.

College Receives NSF Fellowships For Summer Program

For the fifth summer, Project Directors Dr. David Franzi and Dr. Ken Adams have received the National Science Foundation grant for the Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program.

Over the years, students from 36 colleges and universities have taken advantage of the fellowship that the grant offers. These students will work with the Center for Earth and Environmental Science faculty at Plattsburgh State - Dr. Robert Fuller, Dr. Ed Romanowicz, Dr. Timothy Mihuc, Eileen Allen along with Melinda Wu (who is absent this time around but has been involved in recent projects); and Steve Kramer from the W.H. Miner Institute.

This eight-week summer research experience is for highly motivated undergraduate students with broad academic training in the natural sciences and multifaceted interests in ecosystem research.

In recent years, Plattsburgh State students have joined other NSF-REU students to work together on the projects. The 12 NSF-REU Research Fellowships are competitive since it includes a \$3,200 stipend and waiver of lodging costs for total award of \$3,800. All participants are eligible to receive seven Plattsburgh State credits for the program at in-state tuition rates, a savings of more than \$1,700 for out-of-state residents. Students live in the dorms at Miner Institute, which is also the home base of operations.

"It's a great experience for students because gaining experience in research is a tremendous advantage for undergraduates when they apply for graduate school or entry level jobs," said Adams. "Students find it exciting working with others from schools, making new friends and connections, sharing information and comparing the differences in their individual programs. It's an immersion experience."

Participants will work on research projects ranging

from surface and ground water hydrogeology to biochemistry (nutrient cycling), and terrestrial plant and invertebrate ecology. All students will participate in an environmental policy seminar and in weekly project meetings to evaluate progress and examine the interdisciplinary linkages between the individual research components.

"Our objective is to promote the professional development of undergraduate students through their participation in ongoing research of natural and managed fluvial and riparian ecosystems in the Little Chazy River watershed in northeastern New York," Franzi said. "We really focus on making students have opportunities to present their findings to a larger audience of professional geologists at the Geological Society of America, where hundreds of geologists present and receive feedback in Washington, and Ottawa, Canada."

The proposed study builds upon previous Plattsburgh State-REU research that was concerned with ecosystem-level processes and disturbance impacts in the sandstone pavement jack pine barrens on Altona Flat Rock in the upper Little Chazy River watershed. In its first two years, the programs focused on examining the disturbance impact resulting from the January 1989 Ice Storm and restoring the cuttings in the Altona Flat Rock Pine Barrens.

"We subsequently expanded the program's focus to include comparative studies in neighboring ecosystems in the Little Chazy River and nearby watersheds," Adams explained. "These investigations yielded much new information on the nature of the upland pine barrens and hardwood forests and generated many new research questions, particularly with respect to the role of nutrients in the vitality and maintenance of these ecosystems."

-- by Kaidian Smith, Communications Intern

Dr. Ettling Visits Campus During Spring Break

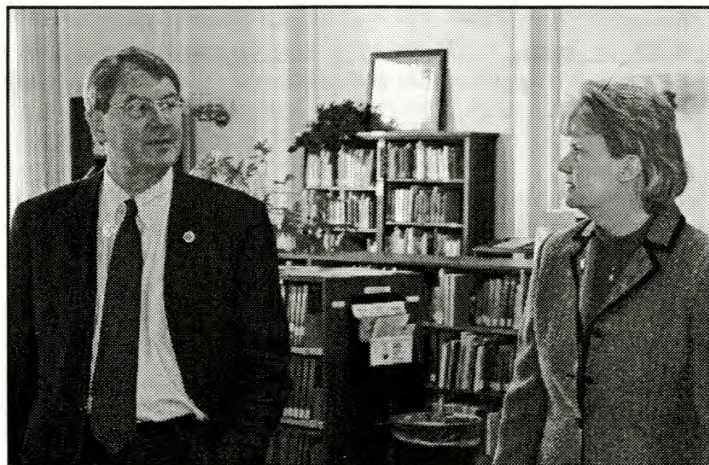
Meets with Members of the Plattsburgh Community

Dr. John Ettling, who will take over as the 10th president of Plattsburgh State this summer, had an opportunity to visit campus during spring break. The time period coincided with spring break at the University of North Dakota.

During the visit, Ettling attended the Plattsburgh and North Country Chamber of Commerce Annual St. Patrick's Day Breakfast in the Warren Ballrooms, Angell College Center. He was introduced to many members of the community who attended the popular annual event.

Ettling also met with Dr. Carol Eaton, president of Clinton Community College, as well as members of CYPH Medical Center, PARC and Mountain Lake PBS. He also talked with representatives from the local media and some campus individuals and departments during his four-day visit.

Ettling hopes to return for one more visit, possibly in April, prior to assuming his new position this June.



Dr. Ettling and Dr. Carol Eaton, president of Clinton Community College, discussed common issues between the two colleges during his recent visit.

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Author Nancy Kress to Receive Honorary Degree



Nancy Kress

Nancy Kress never really meant to become a writer, let alone a world-class, award-winning science fiction writer. But when she found herself at home with one child and another on the way, Kress began to write stories and a second career was born.

She is now one of America's most distinguished authors of science fiction. She has written 21 books, including 13 novels of science fiction

or fantasy, one novel for young adults, two thrillers, three story collections and two books on writing.

In celebration of her success, Kress, a 1969 graduate of Plattsburgh State with a degree in education, will receive the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters from the State University of New York during the College's commencement on May 15.

"When I was 17 and a freshman at Plattsburgh State, I was terrified," said Kress. "It was my first time away from home; my parents had not attended college; I didn't know what to expect. I had a very good four years at Plattsburgh, but coming back to receive this doctorate

will, in some sense, close the circle. I am looking forward to standing at the podium and imagining my 17-year-old self out there in the audience."

Her most recent books are *Nothing Human* (Golden Gryphon Press, 2003), *Crossfire* (Tor, 2003) and *Probability Space* (Tor, 2002), which is the conclusion of a trilogy that began with *Probability Moon* (Tor, 2001) and *Probability Sun* (Tor, 2000).

"My most recent book was *Nothing Human*, a science fiction novel about the fate of humanity in a future of global warming, biowarfare and genetic engineering," said Kress.

Her short fiction has earned her a Hugo and three Nebulas, the most coveted awards among authors and devotees of science fiction. Her work has been translated into Swedish, French, German, Italian, Spanish, Polish, Japanese and Russian among others.

"Plattsburgh is justifiably proud of Nancy's achievements," said Dr. John Clark, interim president. "The State University awards a limited number of degrees to persons of outstanding achievement, and Nancy fully merits the Doctoral Degree in Humane Letters."

The campus president, faculty and a college-wide committee on honorary degrees recommend degree candidates to the SUNY Board of Trustees for approval.

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Computer Science Offers New Master's Programs

Two new master's programs and another on the way is exciting news for students at Plattsburgh State interested in getting a higher degree in computer science.

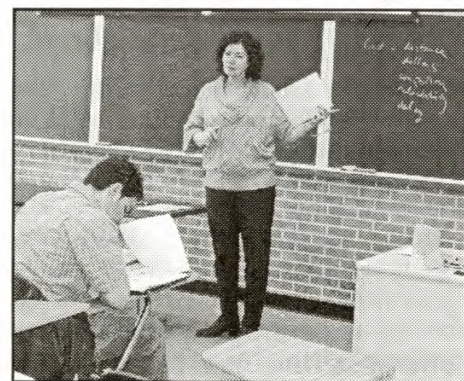
The first new program came about through an articulation agreement Plattsburgh State signed with the University of Vermont (UVM).

"It took two years of hard work to get this program through," said Dr. Evelyne Tropper, visiting assistant professor of computer science. "I'm very happy that students will now have this opportunity."

The program is set up so that students will take four graduate courses (12 credit hours) at Plattsburgh State and another four courses at UVM.

Four undergraduate courses in computer science will now have a graduate component, and the department will also add two graduate-exclusive courses to the master schedule.

The students will be charged Plattsburgh State tuition for the courses they take here and, in the end, will receive a master's degree in computer science from UVM.



Dr. Evelyne Tropper teaches a computer science course in Redcay Hall.

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Information Technology Advisory Group Formed

A campus-wide Information Technology Advisory Council has been established to provide input on all campus applications and systems that support instruction, research and administration.

The purpose of the council is to develop a vision of technology for the campus. This will be achieved by:

- * Reviewing, recommending and discussing campus-wide policy relating to information technology
- * Reviewing and advising on major information technology initiatives
- * Providing a campus forum to discuss information technology issues and providing information to the campus community about these initiatives

The council will also serve as an advisory council to the Dean of Library and Information Services.

Cerise Oberman, dean of LIS, said that over the years, a number of standing committees have been put in place to look at technological issues on campus.

"These groups had no overlap," said Oberman. "We need to step back and take a broader view. Middle States also recommended a campus-wide IT committee, so this is an opportune time to create a committee."

The committee will be comprised of chairs from the standing committees plus representation from across campus including elected members and student representatives.

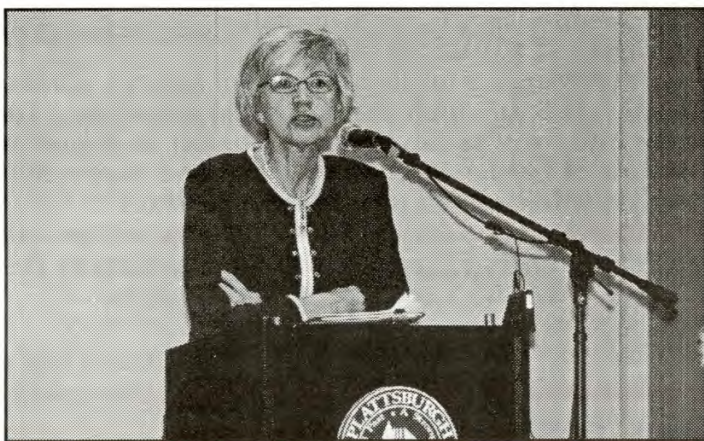
Search Committee Named for Athletic Director

The search for a new director of athletics will commence now that a search committee has been formed.

The committee will be chaired by William Laundry, interim vice president for student affairs and enrollment management.

In addition to Laundry, the members of the search committee are: Leith Bardon, associate professor and chair of Sport and Wellness; Cheryl Cole, interim athletic director and head coach of women's basketball; Robert Emery, head coach men's ice hockey; Peter Ensel '80, associate professor/chair of communication; Neil Fesette, president of Cardinal Booster Club and owner of Fesette Realty; Robert Garrow '53, past chair of the College Council; Michael Kass, junior in secondary education; John Kmack '92, vice president of consulting operations, Logic Technology, Inc.; Michael Miranda, librarian and NCAA Faculty Representative; Al Mihalek '75, executive assistant to the dean of Arts and Science and vice president of the Cardinal Booster Club; Dena O'Connell '01, head women's volleyball coach; Trent Trahan '70, president of the Plattsburgh College Foundation and President and CEO of Champlain Telephone Company and PrimeLink; and Christopher Waterbury, assistant athletic director and men's soccer head coach.

Interviews for the position will occur this spring, and the announcement of a new athletic director should take place in July or mid-summer.



Canada's Chief Justice Speaks

The Center for the Study of Canada at Plattsburgh State hosted the Right Honorable Beverly McLachlin, the chief justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, for the second Annual Distinguished Canadian Address. Chief Justice McLachlin gave a public presentation, "Protecting Human Rights: A Comparative View of the United States and Canada," on Monday, April 5. More than 80 people attended McLachlin's presentation in the Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall in Hawkins Hall. A reception was held following her talk at the Center for the Study of Canada. Her visit ended with a gala dinner at Valcour Educational Conference Center that night.

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Students will also have to write a thesis paper or complete a major programming project, which will be co-directed by a faculty member from both institutions.

The agreement, which was officially signed earlier this semester, goes into effect for Fall 2004.

Another program that will be offered starting next fall is a minor concentration in computer science for the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (M.A.L.S.) degree.

The M.A.L.S. program is

designed to provide a high quality, flexible program of study that can be adapted to specific educational and professional needs. Broadly based courses drawn from a variety of academic disciplines enable M.A.L.S. students to investigate new ideas, to expand their knowledge and professional skills and to rediscover the challenge of learning.

Work has also begun to create a computer science major concentration through the M.A.L.S. program.

"A lot of people wanted to go

into computer science a few years ago," said Tropper. "Now these people are finding the job market much more competitive. They need an edge over other applicants and are finding that another degree is just the edge they need. This has become a trend nationwide -- undergraduate enrollments are down and graduate enrollments are up."

For more information about these new programs, contact the computer science department at 564-2788.

Ethics Institute Fellows for the Spring Semester

The Institute for Ethics in Public Life welcomed three new fellows this semester: Dr. Mark Beatham, associate professor of adolescence and health education; Dr. Gary Kroll, assistant professor of history; and Dr. Amy Mountcastle, assistant professor of anthropology.

Beatham is spending his time at the institute exploring the issue of what he calls a "field theory of ethics."

"I am convinced that our traditional pedantic and mechanistic approaches to solving social problems are wrong," said Beatham. "I want to investigate how a systems approach might better inform social solutions."

Beatham said that it is not common in academic circles to have the time to discuss and explore these sorts of issues.

"The environment at the institute allows for the slow elaboration of ideas," said Beatham. "There's a good mixture of perspectives. Someone always has a different angle."

"I have the opportunity to dig into ideas that I haven't had time in the past to do," said Beatham. "The institute is an incubator environment. You listen to what others think and benefit from their ideas."

Mountcastle is building upon the research she has been conducting on human rights. During the last

several years, she has offered an upper level course on human rights designed as a seminar for anthropology majors. The course focuses primarily on human rights as a global issue. Her goal for the semester as a fellow is to overhaul this course.

"In fact, I would like to create a two-course sequence on human rights: a new lower-division course on anthropological perspectives on human rights and a refined upper-division course, for which the lower-division course would be a prerequisite," said Mountcastle.

Mountcastle said that she is enjoying her time as a fellow.

"It's a rare opportunity to focus on a body of literature and get input from colleagues," said Mountcastle.

Kroll is spending his time as a fellow to explore the concept of citizenship, and specifically in the realm of social and environmental justice.

"I want to explore 'ecological civics' of organizations that are working to join environmental and social justice in order to benefit the



Fellows Dr. Gary Kroll, Dr. Amy Mountcastle and Dr. Mark Beatham.

health and standard of living of the world's people," said Kroll.

The second part of his project entails developing a learning community around the concept of ecological civics.

He finds the Institute a place where stimulating conversation can be found.

"The discussions are on important issues that weigh on the world," said Kroll. "These discussions and readings we do are pushing me to think how ethics factors into global citizenship. We're investigating how to introduce ethics into our classrooms and to enrich the learning community. It's been absolutely delightful and crucially important."

New Wait-List Course Registration Feature

This semester, the Banner Web Course Registration System will introduce a new wait-list feature for students during fall 2004 priority course registration (April 4 - April 25) and course adjustment (May 2 - May 23).

Students may opt to place their names on a wait list when a desired course is closed. Wait lists are built on a first-come, first-serve basis and are prioritized according to the date and time students select the wait-list option.

This new option is available for all courses with the exception of those courses with co-requisites, internships, independent studies and some practicum/research experience.

Registration rules apply to the wait list process. Inability to wait list or to move from a wait list into a course may be due to one or more of the following reasons: class restrictions, level restrictions, major restrictions, time conflicts, missing test scores, missing

prerequisites or exceeding maximum credits allowed per semester.

As seats become available in a course, a student who meets all registration criteria will move from the wait list to the course automatically according to wait-list priority.

Students moved from a wait list to a course will receive an email addressed to their Plattsburgh State Webmail accounts. Students must check this account or forward this account to their preferred email address. Logon to Banner Web and select "My Email Account" to edit or learn more about your Webmail account.

Plattsburgh uses the Plattsburgh Webmail as the official mode of communication to notify students when they have been moved from a wait list into a course. Students are responsible for checking their email messages and for monitoring their class schedules for accuracy.

Source of Help Available on Campus Through EAP

Since 1981, the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) has provided Plattsburgh State employees, retirees and their families with a voluntary, confidential and professional source of help.

It is not a counseling service and doesn't supply treatments, but it does help people in need of assistance with personal, emotional or physical problems, family-related problems, as well as alcohol and other drug related problems, according to Helen Rock, coordinator of the Employee Assistance Program.

Rock explains that the EAP is also a guide to resources from the EAP library or referrals to other local resources. Most human problems can be dealt with if it is identified and treated early, and EAP is aware of the continuous interaction between issues on and off the job and provides help accordingly.

Services available include information, assessments and/ or referrals, which are all done confidentially except when clients are in danger of harming themselves or others, or in cases where there is reasonable suspicion of child abuse. Otherwise, no disclosure is made without a signed release of information form.

According to Rock, employees don't have to be referred by their union representatives, supervisors, co-workers, friends, family, clergy or counselors; they can

make self-referrals. However, a supervisory referral to EAP is a critical link between personal problems and the work place.

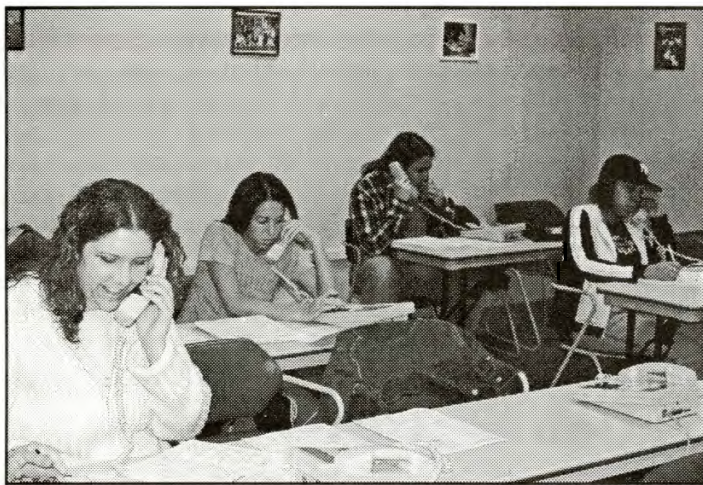
The recommendation of a supervisor, said Rock, is necessary when initiating help for employees whose personal problems have overflowed into the job setting. It is their obligation to see that work is attended to on schedule and in a productive manner.

"Supervisors that recommend EAP are looking for change," Rock said. "EAP has saved lots of jobs and in some cases lives, for instance, in an alcoholic situation where the patient's high blood pressure could have worsened to the point of a heart attack."

Apart from her solo role as counselor and coordinator, Rock receives aid from the EAP committee, which is active in setting up programs such as stress management and life saving techniques.

"The committee was dormant during the past year, but it is back on track," Rock said. "They generate awareness and offer programs beneficial for employees." Rock works part time and can be found in her office (112F Ward Hall) on Tuesdays. She is also available during walk-ins, by appointments, voicemails (564-3277) or emails (helen.rock@plattsburgh.edu).

-- by Kaidian Smith, Communications Intern



Phonathon Going Strong

Student phonathon callers recently broke the \$300,000 in pledges mark. "The students are great, committed and know that they are making a difference here at Plattsburgh State," said Paul Leduc, annual fund director in the Office of Institutional Advancement. This is the second consecutive year that the phonathon campaign has cracked \$300,000. Phonathon will continue until the end of April. "The next few weeks of calling will be hard as we are approaching the end of this year's campaign," said Leduc. "But the students are going strong and looking to add even more pledges from alumni and parents of current students." More than 20 students have made calls seeking support Monday - Thursday since last September, excluding breaks and holidays.

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In the Spring 2003 semester, Kress returned with great acclaim to her alma mater, working with students in literature and writing courses and addressing the College community through the Presidents' Speakers Series, jointly sponsored by the presidents of Plattsburgh State, College Auxiliary Services and the Student Association.

"I'm excited to visit Plattsburgh State again in May," said Kress.

Kress is the monthly fiction columnist for *Writer's Digest*

Magazine.

She also teaches writing regularly at various institutions, including the Clarion Writers' Conference, which focuses on science fiction writing and is under the auspices of Michigan State University, and at The Writing Center in Bethesda, Md.

In 1993, Kress was the guest of honor and keynote speaker at the annual international conference devoted to science fiction, ConFuse, held in Stockholm, Sweden. In

2002, she was the keynote speaker at the Maryland Writers' Conference.

She said that she was surprised to learn she was receiving an honorary degree.

"I hadn't expected it at all. I'm honored and pleased to have my work evaluated this way by the faculty of my alma mater," said Kress.

Kress has a forthcoming book on writing fiction titled, *Characters, Emotions and Viewpoint*. She is also currently working on a novel about in vitro fertilization.

Dr. Battigelli Heads to Notre Dame as Fellow

Dr. Anna Battigelli, professor of English, has been awarded an Erasmus Institute Carey Senior Fellowship at the University of Notre Dame for the 2004-2005 academic year.

The Erasmus Institute is an international Catholic center for advanced studies that fosters research on the intellectual traditions of the Abrahamic faiths -- Christian, Jewish and Muslim -- in the humanities, social sciences, law and arts.

While a senior fellow, Battigelli will work on her book, *John Dryden and the Roman Catholic Tradition in England*.

"My first goal is to complete my book on Dryden and Roman Catholicism," said Battigelli. "But I also very much look forward to the Institute's weekly seminars and to the monthly seminars for faculty and students that Senior Fellows are asked to organize."

Dryden (1631-1700) was an English poet and dramatist. "Dryden's two longest poems are religious, and yet their treatment of religion has not been adequately discussed," said Battigelli. "My goal is that readers can view late 17th-century religious and political controversies with greater sympathy through the capacious window of Dryden's poetry."

She will be on sabbatical during all of the next academic year.



Battigelli

Dr. Moravek Goes to Russia

Calling it a "life-long dream," Dr. John Moravek, associate professor of geography, prepares to head to Russia April 10 for a 10-day trip as part of the People to People Ambassador Program.

Moravek will join his daughter, Jane Avon Yessak, a fifth grade teacher in the Albuquerque, N.M. Public School System who was selected as a participant in the program.

The People to People Ambassador Program was established in the late 1950s when the late President Dwight D. Eisenhower believed that ordinary citizens of different nations could help solve their differences and find a way to live in peace.

Moravek said he has a special affinity for this part of the world, in part because his paternal grandparents were originally from Slovakia, a former Soviet satellite region.

"It really is a life-long dream for me to travel to Russia, to experience the culture and rub elbows with the Russians on their own turf," Moravek said. "It will also relate to my professional and personal interest."

Moravek holds a minor in Russian history and geology and has been a faculty member at Plattsburgh State since 1969.



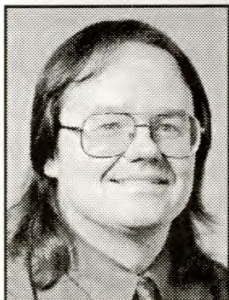
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Spotlight on faculty and staff

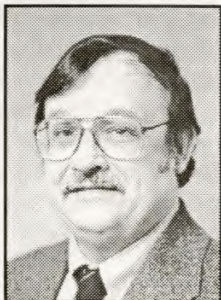
Dr. Jeff Hornibrook, associate professor of history, presented a paper titled, "An Activist State and Changing Elite: Social and Political Change in a Mechanized Coalmining Enterprise in Qing China," at the annual conference of the Association of Asian Studies in

San Diego, Calif., in March. He was also invited to give a presentation in March titled, "Chinese and Japanese Intellectual Currents in the Early 20th Century: A Case Study of the Ping-Liu-Li Uprising of 1906," for the Japan Seminar at McGill University.

Dr. Thomas Rumney, professor of geography, presented a paper titled, "Vermont Agriculture: Seventy Years After," at the annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers in Philadelphia, Pa., in March. He also authored a review, which was published in the *Journal of Geography*, of *The Geographical Imagination in America, 1880-1950*, by Susan Schulten.



Hornibrook



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Cron Lecturer April 14-15

Dr. Philip Jenkins, distinguished professor of history and religious studies at Pennsylvania State University, will be visiting campus on Wednesday and Thursday, April 14 and 15, as the 2004 Cron Lecturer.

On Wednesday, April 14, he will deliver a lecture, "The Next Christianity," at 8 p.m. in the Cardinal Lounge, Angell College Center.

On Thursday, April 15, he will lead a religious seminar on the Gospel of Luke at 12:30 p.m. in the Newman Center. Both events are free and open to the public.

With undergraduate and doctoral degrees in history from Cambridge University, Jenkins is an internationally-renowned scholar who has written 18 books and has lectured around the world.

The Annual Karl Cron Lecture Series brings notable scholars in the academic study of religion to campus for public lectures and seminars. The series is sponsored by the Ecumenical Protestant Campus Ministry.

FOCUS Calendar

Friday, April 9 - Saturday, April 24

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

FRIDAY, APRIL 9

6 p.m. Open Mic Night w/ Tom Rooney, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Point Snack Bar.

7 and 8:30 p.m. North Country Planetarium Show, presents "Martian Mystique." Tickets: \$2 general admission, on sale at the Angell Center Desk. Hudson Hall Planetarium.

7 p.m. A Haiku Experience, sponsored by Counselor Education. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10

7 p.m. Film Showing, sponsored by Asian Club. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

SUNDAY, APRIL 11

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie, presents "Something's Gotta Give". Admission: free for SA Members with ID, \$2 faculty/staff, \$3 public, tickets on sale at the Angell Center Desk only. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, APRIL 12

12:15 p.m. Chapter Accreditation Program Meeting. Angell Center Meeting Room 1.

3 p.m. Greek Leadership Series. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

6:30 p.m. Movie Showing, "Recovering Bodies -- Overcoming Eating Disorders," sponsored by Delta Phi Epsilon Sorority. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. Greek Future Leaders Seminar, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

12 p.m. Student Athletes' Academic Honors Luncheon, sponsored by Sport & Wellness. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

12 p.m. UUP Luncheon. Angell College Center

Warren Ballroom A.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Monthly Meetings. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. Debate -- Democrats and Republicans, sponsored by College Democrats. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. CDPI Film Series and WRAP Session, presents "The Joy Luck Club," with a WRAP Session facilitated by J.W. Wiley, Deb Light and Kathy Lee. Sponsored by the CDPI, CAS and the Asian Club. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

7:30 p.m. *The Yellow Dress* - A one-person play, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Krinovitz Recital Hall.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

12 p.m. Lunch and Presentation: "Pay Equity", sponsored by the League of Women Voters and CAS. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

3 p.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, presents "Delivering a Dynamic Interview." Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.

7 p.m. Presentation on Wolves, sponsored by Earth & Environmental Science Club. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

8 p.m. Cron Lecture, presents Dr. Philip Jenkins, speaking on "The Next Christianity." Sponsored by Protestant Campus Ministry. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. Theatre Production of "Bus Stop", directed by Kim Hartshorn. Tickets: \$2 SA Members, \$7 faculty/staff and seniors, \$10 general admission, on sale at the Angell Center Desk or at the Hartman Box Office on the night of the performance. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

THURSDAY, APRIL 15

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, presents Cori Matthews and the Alternative Spring Break

Seminar. Sponsored by the Women's Studies, with assistance from CAS. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

12:30 p.m. ODK Lunch with a Leader. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

4:30 p.m. Asian Symposium, sponsored by Asian Studies. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:30 p.m. Jeopardy Challenge. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

7 p.m. Global Exchange Speaker Cesar Zeledon, speaking on Fair Trade Practices, sponsored by the Environmental Action Committee, Students for Direct Democracy and El Pueblo. Krinovitz Recital Hall, Hawkins Hall.

7:30 p.m. Visual Artist Series presents Keith Carter, photographer. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

8 p.m. Theatre Production of "Bus Stop", directed by Kim Hartshorn. Tickets: \$2 SA Members, \$7 faculty/staff and seniors, \$10 general admission, on sale at the Angell Center Desk or at the Hartman Box Office. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

9 p.m. Guest Speaker on Date Rape, sponsored by Center for Student Health & Psychological Services. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

FRIDAY, APRIL 16

8:45 a.m. Ontario Counselor Visit, sponsored by International Student Services. Krinovitz Recital Hall.

11 a.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, presents "Organizing an Effective Job Search." Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.

11:30 a.m. Academic Fair, sponsored by International Student Services. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

12 p.m. "Eliminating Unrecognized Groups", sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

4 p.m. ODK Meeting. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

4 p.m. T.E.A.M. Rap Session, Racial Experiences and Sexual Orientation. Sponsored by CDPI. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

6 p.m. Open Mic Night w/ Tom Rooney, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Point Snack Bar.

8 p.m. Theatre Production of "Bus Stop", directed by Kim Hartshorn. Tickets: \$2 SA Members, \$7 faculty/staff and seniors, \$10 general admission, on sale at the Angell Center Desk or at the Hartman Box Office. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

8 p.m. Symphonic Band Concert. Free and open to the public. Hawkins Hall E.

Showcase April 19-24

Back after a long hiatus, the campus will once again celebrate Showcase Week, April 19-24. The week-long Showcase will feature presentations of work by outstanding students from each academic department.

The schedule for Showcase will be on the Web with links to abstracts of the work.

In addition, faculty from each department will choose selected student presentations that will be featured during Spring Open House on Saturday, April 24 from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the atrium outside the Warren Ballrooms in the Angell College Center.

For more information, contact the Provost's Office at 564-5402.

Glenn Giltz Auditorium.
9 p.m. Party -- "Short Shorts", sponsored by Club Caribbean. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

SATURDAY, APRIL 17

9 a.m. TNT Men's and Women's Rugby Tournament. Memorial Hall Field.

10 a.m. Spring Arts and Crafts Fair, featuring over 150 artisans from New York, Vermont and New Hampshire. Admission: \$2 general admission, free of charge for PSU Students with ID and children under 12. Field House, Indoor Track/Gymnasium.

12 p.m. Cultural Explosion, sponsored by Club Caribbean. Angell College Center Amite Plaza.

12 p.m. The FORGEing 2-day anime & role playing event. C.V. Hall 101.

8 p.m. Theatre Production of "Bus Stop", directed by Kim Hartshorn. Tickets: \$2 SA Members, \$7 faculty/staff and seniors, \$10 general admission, on sale at the Angell Center Desk or at the Hartman Box Office. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

10 p.m. Queen's Ball After Party, sponsored by Club Caribbean. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

SUNDAY, APRIL 18

11:30 a.m. The FORGEing 2-day anime & role playing event. C.V. Hall 101.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie, presents "Big Fish." Admission: free for SA Members with ID, \$2 faculty/staff, \$3 public, tickets on sale at the Angell Center Desk only. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, APRIL 19

11 a.m. Walt Disney World Internship Information Table, sponsored by Career Development Center. Angell College Center Lobby 1.

7:30 p.m. Holocaust Memorial Speaker Series, presents Dr. Vlad Munk, survivor of the Theresienstadt and Auschwitz Concentration Camps, speaking on his experiences as a young man under Nazi enslavement.

Krinovitz Recital Hall.

8 p.m. Chamber Ensembles I Concert, Percussion, Saxophone and Clarinet Ensembles perform. Free. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

TUESDAY, APRIL 20

11 a.m. Walt Disney World Internship Information Table. Angell Center.

12:30 p.m. Spring Open House Tour Guide Info. Session. Angell Center Warren Ballroom B.

3 p.m. Career Development Spring 2004 Workshop, presents "Developing a Job Portfolio." Kehoe 6th Floor Board Room.

7 p.m. Lecture by Heraldo Munoz, sponsored by Latin American Studies Department. Krinovitz Recital Hall.

7 p.m. Earth Week Movie, "Uncovered: Iraq War," sponsored by the Environmental Action Committee. Yokum 202.

7:30 p.m. Presidents' Speakers Series. Angell Center Warren Ballrooms.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

11 a.m. Walt Disney World Internship Information Table. Angell Center.

4 p.m. School Psychology Graduate Program Open House. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

5 p.m. Prom Dress Drive Sale for local H.S. Students, sponsored by Sigma Delta Tau. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

7 p.m. Rape, Race & Making the World Safe for Everyone, sponsored by Office For Violence Prevention. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. Disney College Program, sponsored by Career Development Center. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. Choral Fest. Tickets: \$2 Plattsburgh State Students, \$5 faculty/staff/seniors/students, \$8 general on sale at the Angell Center Desk or at the door. Hawkins Hall, Giltz Auditorium.

THURSDAY, APRIL 22

8 a.m. Disney College Program Internship

Interviews. Angell College Center.

9 a.m. The Frida Project, sponsored by Foreign Languages & Literature Dept. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

9 a.m. Hybrid Car Observation/Presentation, sponsored by Earth & Environmental Science Club. Amite Plaza.

12:20 p.m. The Champlain Valley Hall Colloquium Series, and PSU's Institute on Ethics in Public Life present a panel discussion on "Thinking about Ethics: A Guided Inquiry Method," featuring D. Thomas Moran, Beth Dixon, and Doug Skopp. The Colloquium Series is coordinated by Hugh Wilson, Dept. of English. C.V. Hall Commons.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, presents Shakuntala Rao, Communications Dept., speaking on "From Gandhi's Women Satygrahis to Christina Aguielera Look-Alikes." Sponsored by the Women's Studies Department, with assistance from CAS. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

12:30 p.m. Alternative Spring Break Slide Show, sponsored by Center for Service Learning & Volunteerism. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

2 p.m. The Frida Project, sponsored by Foreign

Languages & Literature Dept. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

FRIDAY, APRIL 23

3 p.m. Multicultural Visitation Program/Open House, sponsored by Admission's Office. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

6 p.m. Open Mic Night w/ Tom Rooney, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Point Snack Bar.

6 p.m. "Princess of Porn and The Dukes of Dykedom", sponsored by SOUL. Krinovitz Recital Hall.

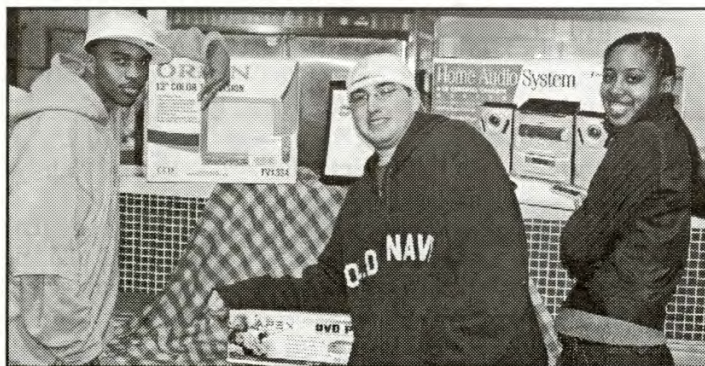
8 p.m. College Theatre Association. Tickets \$2 at the door only. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

9 a.m. Spring Open House Program, sponsored by Admission's Office. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

4 p.m. Omicron Delta Kappa Induction Ceremony. Hawkins Hall, Giltz Auditorium.

7 p.m. Gospelfest Concert, sponsored by the PSU Gospel Choir. Advance Tickets: \$2 SA, \$5 faculty/staff/general admission, on sale at the Angell Center Desk. Day-of Tickets: \$4 SA, \$8 faculty/staff/general admission, on sale at the door. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.



Tyson and Sodexho Campus Services teamed up for a promotion that started last fall. Every time a student purchased a combo at the Snack Bar in the Angell College Center, they were entered to win prizes including a television, DVD player and home audio system. The winners were recently announced. Above, Tyrone Ridley, a junior from Brooklyn; Mike Cameron, a junior from Oneida; and Etsuko Rucker, a junior from Japan, stand by their grand prizes. Ten other winners won \$10 Stewart gas cards.

Campus Prepares for 20th Annual Spring Open House

Signs of spring are showing up all over Plattsburgh. The birds are singing, and the snow is melting. Another sign of spring is the Office of Admission's annual Spring Open House.

For the past 20 years, the Plattsburgh State Office of Admissions has hosted a Spring Open House. This year's Open House will take place Saturday, April 24 for potential incoming students. Open House is not just for high school seniors -- students invited include prospective and newly accepted high school and transfer students. Approximately 500 individuals will be attending the Open House.

Spring Open House is scheduled to start at 9:30 a.m. after registration and refreshments. The general information session will be held in the E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium, Hawkins Hall and is broken down into three sections: academics, campus life and student perspectives.

Dr. John Ettling, Plattsburgh State's new president who will be on campus that weekend, will begin the day with a short welcome. Dr. Kathleen Lavoie, dean of arts and science, will provide students with an overview of academics. William Laundry, interim vice president for student affairs and enrollment management, will speak about student life on campus followed by Michael Harrington, Student Association president, who will share a student's perspective.

After the general information session, students and their families will follow student tour guides around campus and will see everything Plattsburgh State has to offer while having their questions answered by the tour guide.

Tours will visit Feinberg Library, Myers Fine Arts Building, Yokum Lecture Hall, Memorial Hall, Clinton Dining Hall, two residence halls -- one low-rise and one high-rise -- and will end at the Angell College Center.

After touring the campus, students will have a chance to attend the various fairs in the Angell College Center. At the Academic Fair, students can meet with faculty from all academic majors and minors available at Plattsburgh State.

Many Student Association clubs will participate in the Student Club Fair, showcasing their clubs and activities. There will also be a College Services Fair, with more than 15 services represented including: Campus Housing, Athletics, Student Support Services, College Auxiliary Services, Student Association, Career Development Center, computer services, financial aid, Learning Center, Student Health Center, New Student Orientation, Study Abroad, University Police, Adirondack Experience Program, Community Service programs, Equal Opportunity Program, Transfer Services and Admissions.

In previous years, Spring Open House has been very successful. According to the Office of Admissions, 83 percent of students who attended the 2003 Spring Open House enrolled at Plattsburgh State.

Richard Higgins, director of admissions, believes the most important element of Open House is the Plattsburgh State students who volunteer their time to be tour guides.

"The goodwill of our students is the most successful factor of Open House," said Higgins. "Potential students and their families also like the fact that there is direct communication between students and faculty. The chance to talk directly to students and faculty is very important to these students."

For more information on Spring Open House, contact the Office of Admissions at 564-2040 or email admissions@plattsburgh.edu.

-- by Alexa Gordon, Public Relations Intern

Annual Springfest to Feature O.A.R. and Rahzel

Plattsburgh State Student Association's annual Springfest on Saturday, May 1 will feature headliners O.A.R. and Rahzel at the Field House lacrosse field.

Springfest will kick off with local bands and DJs at 1 p.m., building up to Rahzel who will take the stage at 7 p.m.

According to his label, MCA Records, Rahzel is "the undisputed Godfather of Noyze" who has re-defined the beat box. A self-defined vocal percussionist, Rahzel has "mastered this quintessential hip hop art form and has emerged as a true virtuoso. To hear him is to be converted." Rahzel is best known as a member of The Roots, hip hop's cutting-edge live band.

Following Rahzel, the Ohio-originated reggae and boots-rock jam band, O.A.R., will take the stage.

The New York Post calls the group's album, *In Between Now and Then*, "a jammin' album that flirts with melodic, reggae-laced rock that oils your dancing bone."

Come June, O.A.R. will perform in six concerts throughout the midwest with the Dave Matthews Band.

Tickets for Springfest will go on sale the week of April 12 and will cost \$5 for SA members and \$15 for all others. Sodexo Campus Services will provide food. Students with a meal plan can use their card.

In the event of inclement weather, the concert will move inside to the Field House Gymnasium.



O.A.R. performs last June on stage in Cleveland, Ohio.
Photo by Jeremy Schultz.

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Five Students Receive Chancellor's Award

The Chancellor of the State University of New York has announced that four seniors and one recent graduate of Plattsburgh State have been selected to receive the Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence.

Marcia Blackmoore, Carla Canjar, Nazia Habib, Timothy Sarrantonio and Joseph Thouin are among 245 recipients from 61 SUNY institutions honored with this award.

Students from these SUNY institutions represent five foreign countries and nine states and have an average grade point average of 3.74.

The recipients gathered at a special ceremony in their honor at the Empire State Plaza Convention Center on Monday, April 19 in Albany. Each student received a framed certificate and a medallion that may be worn at commencement.

"These students are among the State University's best and brightest," said Chancellor Robert L. King. "Their commitment not only to academic excellence, but also to serving the wider community indicates they are likely to emerge as New York's future leaders. I am enormously proud of these students and very pleased to be able to recognize their accomplishments."

Blackmoore is a senior cellular biochemistry major and French minor from La Plaine, Dominica. She was listed in *Who's Who Among Students in American*

Universities and Colleges 2004 Edition and is a member of Sigma XI national research society.

Last October, Blackmoore presented research results at the Annual Plant Biology Symposium held at Smith College, Northhampton, Mass. She is also a member of the Plattsburgh State Forensic Team and has participated in several tournaments. She placed seventh in Poetry Interpretation at a tournament at Nassau Community College.

Canjar, a senior environmental science major from Fairport, N.Y., was the first recipient of the Casella Scholarship offered at Plattsburgh State.

The two-year program involves a summer internship working at Casella. She is a member of Phi Eta Sigma honor society, Omicron Delta Kappa national leadership honor society and Sigma XI national research society.

Habib, a December 2003 graduate in business economics, is working for IBM in New York City. She was the student commencement speaker last December and was given the Dean's Award for Outstanding Student in SBE.

She is also a member of several honor societies including Omicron Delta Epsilon, Beta Gamma Sigma,

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Sussy Komala to Receive Distinguished Alumna Award

Xu Xi, a.k.a. Sussy Komala, will receive the Distinguished Alumna Award during Spring Commencement at Plattsburgh State on Saturday, May 15. Komala graduated from Plattsburgh State in 1974 with a degree in English.

Her business career began in Hong Kong shortly after graduating from Plattsburgh State. Over the next six-and-a-half years, she moved from printing supervision to advertising copywriting. She ended up as the advertising supervisor for Cathay Pacific Airways until mid 1980.

After a hiatus of writing and

graduate work (she received her MFA from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst), Komala commenced a business career in the United States.

Komala left an 18-year career in international marketing and management in 1997 to become a full-time writer. She alternates between living in New York City and Hong Kong.

A Chinese-Indonesian native of Hong Kong, Komala is now one of Asia's leading English language novelists. An author of five books of fiction, she also co-edited an



Komala

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Adirondack-Champlain Guide Service Selected for SBDC Hall of Fame

Peter Casamento, owner of Adirondack-Champlain Guide Service, was recently inducted into the New York State Small Business Development Center's (SBDC) Hall of Fame.

The induction ceremony was the highlight of a gala reception in the Well of the Legislative Office Building at the State Capitol in Albany March 30. Outstanding New York businesses will be added to the SBDC Hall of Fame every year.

A licensed North Country guide and expert fisherman for more than 25 years, Casamento's family-owned and operated company in Willsboro, N.Y., is the largest guide service in northern New York.

The Casamentos originally sought assistance from the North Country SBDC in 1992 to develop a business plan for the purchase of property for their business. In 1996, they returned for help in developing plans for expansion of the business.

Delena Clark, director of the North Country Small



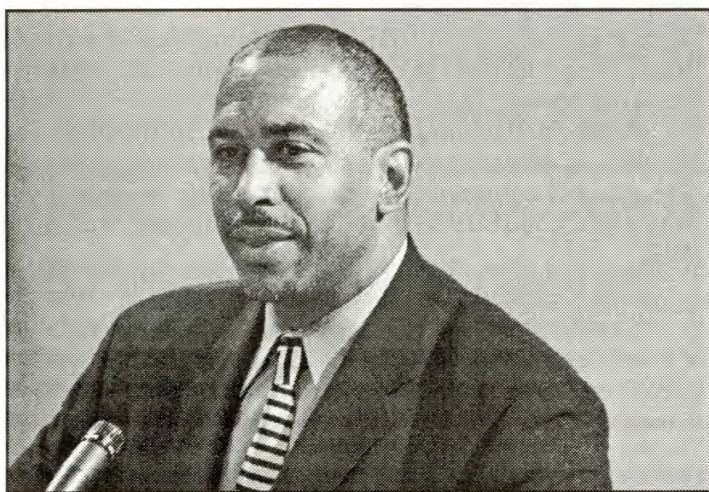
Sen. Betty Little (left) joins Peter Casamento and Delena Clark during the induction ceremony.

Business Development Center, said the North Country SBDC nominated Casamento for the honor.

"Pete Casamento has been instrumental in promoting bass fishing tournaments in the Lake Champlain Region," Clark said. "This effort annually brings over \$2 million to the region and continues to grow. He is currently advocating a growth and resurgence of the walleyed pike to the area. We were very pleased to nominate Peter for the SBDC Hall of Fame. He deserves this recognition."

New York State Senator Elizabeth O'C. "Betty" Little (R-45th District) was on hand to congratulate Casamento at the induction ceremony.

Casamento joins a select group of 32 New York small business owners inducted into the Hall of Fame, which was established as part of the SBDC's 20th anniversary of service to New York's small businesses. These inductees were selected based on their outstanding vision, persistence, ingenuity, and innovation.



Dr. Pedro Noguera, considered by some to be one of America's most important voices on education reform and diversity, made a public presentation on April 20 as part of the Presidents' Speakers Series. Noguera spoke on "Closing the Gap: City Schools and the American Dream." A professor in the Steinhardt School of Education at New York University, Noguera is an urban sociologist whose scholarship and research focuses on the ways in which schools are influenced by social and economic conditions in the urban environment. He has published more than one hundred research articles, monographs and research reports on topics such as urban school reform, conditions that promote student achievement, youth violence, the potential impact of school choice and vouchers on urban public schools, and race and ethnic relations in American society.

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anthology of Hong Kong writings in English. Other published writings include essays, op-eds and book reviews. Her work is taught and anthologized internationally.

In profiles of the author, the *New York Times* "Arts Abroad" named her a pioneer writer in Asia establishing a voice in English, and Singapore's *Business Times* dubbed her passion "Asia as it is today -- gritty, modern and confused."

In 1994, her first novel, *Chinese Walls* (Chameleon Press), was hailed

as a "welcome new voice into the field of Asian fiction writing."

Her forthcoming book, *Overleaf Hong Kong: Stories and Essays of the Chinese, Overseas* (Chameleon Press), is due out this summer.

Her awards have included a New York Foundation for the Arts fiction fellowship, a writer-in-residency at Kulturhuset USF at Bergen, Norway and the Jack Kerouac Project in Orlando, Fla.

She currently teaches in Vermont College's MFA program.

She leads fiction writing workshops and classes on an ad hoc basis at The Writer's Circle in Hong Kong, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Institute of Education among others.

The Distinguished Alumni Award, presented by the College and the Board of Directors of the Plattsburgh Alumni Association, honors graduates for their achievements, their humanitarian efforts, and/or their contributions to the College.

Distinguished Professors Named by SUNY

Two professors at Plattsburgh State have received promotions to SUNY Distinguished Professor.

Richard Mikkelson has been promoted to SUNY Distinguished Teaching Professor of Art. Dr. Nancy Church has been promoted to the rank of SUNY Distinguished Service Professor of Marketing and Management.

These prestigious ranks are awarded by the SUNY Board of Trustees and recognize those who have achieved national or international prominence and a distinguished reputation in a chosen field.

"By approving these designations, the SUNY Board of Trustees is affirming that each of these individuals has made extremely valuable contributions, not only to the SUNY family at large but to their students and their communities," said SUNY Chancellor Robert L. King.

The Distinguished Teaching Professorship honors outstanding teaching at the graduate, undergraduate or professional levels.

Since arriving at Plattsburgh State in 1969, Mikkelson has built an exceptional record and reputation as a teacher-artist. He was promoted to associate professor in 1975 and professor in 1984.

Dr. John Clark, interim president of the College, said that Mikkelson's students regard him as an exceptional teacher who has had lasting impact on their lives.

"He is viewed by peers and students alike as an innovative, student



Mikkelson

centered, thorough, creative, energetic, passionate, demanding and supporting teacher," said Clark. "His commitment to excellence as a teacher is paramount."

Mikkelson served as chair of the Art Department from 1992 to 2002. Through his steady leadership, the department flourished, curricular offerings expanded, new faculty were hired and an MFA program was developed and successfully implemented.

Mikkelson received his bachelor of arts from Concordia College, and a master of arts and master of fine arts from the University of Iowa. He has received numerous fellowships and grants through the years including a Winkel Development Grant, UUP Individual Development Award and an NEA Grant.

Ever the artist, Mikkelson continues his own artistic output of painting, watercolor and ink drawings. His works are held in public and private collections and he routinely submits and has accepted works in juried art exhibitions locally, regionally and nationally.



Church

The Distinguished Service Professorship honors consistently extraordinary service contributions to the community, state or the nation.

Church joined the Plattsburgh State faculty in 1977 and was promoted to professor in 1996.

"Her commitment and skill as a teacher, scholar and citizen of this institution are well known and respected by colleagues locally, statewide, nationally and internationally," said Clark. "Students and peers regard her as a role model, leader, organizer and creative problem solver."

In the last few years, Church has taken on several new challenges away from the School of Business and Economics. She has filled the role of acting director of Canadian Studies and International Programs and Student Exchanges and most recently interim director of International Education.

She has been highly successful in garnering support for her international programs including a FIPSE-North American Mobility Grant for \$200,000.

Church has received numerous awards for her teaching and service and has actively published in peer review journals and business and trade publications.

She received her bachelor's from SUNY Albany, an M.B.A. from Marist College and her Ph.D. from Concordia University in Montreal, Canada.

Paleontologist Speaks April 29

Dr. William Hammer, the Fritiof Fryxell professor of geology at Augustana College in Illinois, will be speaking about his expeditions to Antarctica and his discovery of the first dinosaurs from that continent on Thursday, April 29 at 4:30 p.m. in Yokum 200.

Hammer led a group of scientists to Antarctica where they discovered the remains of an ancient and previously unknown dinosaur. Based on Hammer's field analysis of the rock-encased fossils, he has concluded the bones represent a new species of large dinosaur from the early Jurassic period. The age and location of the find add to the significance of the discovery. Only one other dinosaur has been discovered on the Antarctic mainland, also by Hammer in 1991.

His lecture, which is free and open to all, is sponsored by the Center for Earth and Environmental Science and the Earth and Environmental Science Club.

Farewell Dinner for Clark May 12

Trent Trahan '70, president of the Plattsburgh College Foundation, and Arnold Amell '53, acting chair of the College Council, invite you to a farewell dinner for Dr. John Clark, interim president at Plattsburgh State, on Wednesday, May 12.

The night will start off with a reception at 6 p.m. in the Cardinal Lounge, Angell College Center. The dinner begins at 7 p.m. in the Warren Ballrooms, Angell College Center.

Tickets are \$50 each. Additional giving levels are available -- contact Greg McGrath for more information at 564-3933. All proceeds will benefit the Plattsburgh College Foundation Scholarship Fund.

Invitations are being mailed to all faculty and staff.



Clark

Senior Art Exhibition on Display April 24 - May 15

Twenty-three graduating art majors will be strutting their stuff during the Senior Exhibition 2004.

Presented by the Plattsburgh State Art Museum, the Art Department and the Senior Class of 2004, the exhibition runs from Saturday, April 24 through Saturday, May 15 in the Burke Gallery and throughout the Myers Fine Arts Building.

The opening reception will take place Saturday, April 24 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the lobby of Myers Fine Arts Building. The students will give a brief lecture about their work at 3 p.m. prior to the reception, which is sponsored by the Plattsburgh State Art Museum and Art Department with funding provided by the Students Association, College Auxiliary Services and the Plattsburgh College Foundation.

The exhibition features more than 200 works produced by the students in the various mediums taught at the College. The exhibition, in addition to the art being shown, has been curated by the students themselves as part of the Museum Studies courses taught by Edward Brohel, museum director.

The catalogue, invitations, installation and all presentation questions have evolved from the participating students.

The art was produced under the tutelage of the art faculty: Diane Fine (chair) printmaking; David Powell

and Norman Taber, graphic design; Don Osborn and Carol Vossler, sculpture; Berry Matthews, ceramics; Sue Lezon, photography; and Richard Mikkelsen and Peter Russom, drawing and painting.

"The element, which forms the commonality of this exhibition, is the uniqueness and individuality of the works of each student," said Brohel. "It is a tribute to the remarkable teaching and special effort of the faculty that such technical ability and personal statements have been crafted by the students at this point in their artistic development."

The graduating art students are: Megan Abrahamsen, Catskill, N.Y.; Beth Barnes, Morrisonville, N.Y.; Ryan Cohen, Mineville, N.Y.; Melanie Finlayson, Delmar, N.Y.; Michael Gallagher, Brooklyn, N.Y.; Heather Gordon, Granville, N.Y.; Scott Heydrick, Glens Falls, N.Y.; James Juron, Troy, N.Y.; Tina LaMour, Plattsburgh; Robert Lewis, Plattsburgh; J.P. Manke, Ogdensburg, N.Y.; Andrew McGill, Plattsburgh; Erica Mousseau, Plattsburgh; Sean Otto, Briarwood, N.Y.; Lisa Porto, Queensbury, N.Y.; James Ryan, Massena, N.Y.; Ann Schwed, Mayfield, N.Y.; Michael Shanley, Keeseville, N.Y.; Lindsey Shrier, Pittsford, N.Y.; Lauren Summerville, Essex Junction, Vt.; Erick Von Hoffmann, St. Regis Falls, N.Y.; Andrew Watson, Cassadaga, N.Y.; and Elizabeth Wilde, Oneonta, N.Y.

The fourth annual student-athlete academic honors luncheon was held on April 13 in the Warren Ballroom, Angell College Center. As part of the gathering, 11 student-athletes were inducted in Chi Alpha Sigma, the national college athlete honor society. Pictured (l-r): Donald Kaupelis, Caleb Smith, Chris MacFarlane, April Barbour, Michael Miranda (athletics academic coordinator), Brit Montmeat, Felecia Edwards and Jamie Prudhomme. Also inducted, but not pictured, were Kathy Ellen Davis, Ashley LaVigne, Craig Neilson and Paul Widejeskog. It was also announced that Chris MacFarlane and April Barbour were The Dr. Richard Semmler Award winners. The Semmler Award is presented to the male and female senior athletes with the highest cumulative grade-point average.



Chancellor's Awards (Continued from Page 1)

Phi Kappa Phi, Omicron Delta Kappa and Phi Eta Sigma.

Sarrantonio, a history major from Newburgh, N.Y., is the past president of the Student Association. He was given the Outstanding Junior History Major Award last year and is a member of Omicron Delta Kappa honor society. He was also a resident assistant in Adirondack Hall.

Thourin, an environmental sciences major from Cohoes, N.Y., has been a part of several research

grants including a National Science Foundation REU Travel Grant and National Science Foundation Grant for the Lake Champlain Research Institute.

"These students are some of Plattsburgh State's very best stand-outs," said Interim President John Clark. "Our College is proud of their accomplishments as students on our campus and for representing Plattsburgh State in an elite group of the best of the best in SUNY."

Chancellor's Award winners are screened through a rigorous selection process. First, a campus selection committee reviews outstanding graduating students and sends its nominations to the Office of University Life in Albany for a second round of review. Finalists from this review are then recommended to the chancellor. Students must have a strong academic record as well as demonstrated significant contributions to the greater campus community.

Plattsburgh Peer Facilitators Attend NACADA Region One Conference

Ten Plattsburgh State peer facilitators were among international company this March as they participated in the National Academic Advisors Association (NACADA) 20th Anniversary Regional Conference.

More than 200 advisors, faculty and students hailing from the northeast regions of the United States and Canada gathered in Burlington, Vt. to examine the past, present and future of the advising profession.

The Plattsburgh State peer facilitator group actively participated in conference workshops and offered insightful perspectives to conference presenters. The conference helped the students to generate new ideas and recognize that they are part of a unique and exceptional peer program at Plattsburgh.

The Peer Facilitator Program is sponsored by the Office of Academic Advising and provides undergraduates with special training in institutional policies, procedures, academic and career resources, referrals, and basic counseling/communication skills. Peer facilitators are uniquely qualified to assist their peers to make successful transitions into Plattsburgh's academic and social life and are available to provide one-on-one and group assistance



Plattsburgh State peer facilitators travel to Vermont for a conference.

throughout the academic year.

The NACADA Regional Conference was a unique professional development opportunity for the group, and served as an integral part of their training experience.

Spotlight on faculty and staff

Edward Brohel, director of the Plattsburgh Art Museum, acted as juror for the Federation Internationale de la Medaille (FIDEM) in January. Judges from across the United States met in the Essex Community Church and selected about 60 entries from a field of 140 works submitted for the International Medal Federation. The selected works will go on display with works from 30 countries in the Paris Mint Museum Exposition held each September in

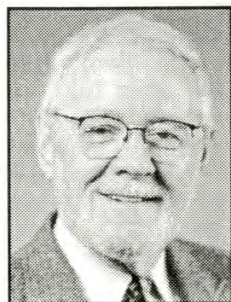
Paris, France.

Dr. Patrick Coppens, professor of communication disorders and science, had his co-authored article, "Category-specific Naming Effect in Non-brain-damaged Individuals," published in *Brain and Language*. The article finds that normal aging individuals show a progressive difficulty naming living things as opposed to nonliving things.

Dr. David Franzi, professor of earth and environmental science, presented research done on preserving the legacy of late Wisconsinan breakout floods in the Champlain Valley by himself and **Dr. James Dawson**, distinguished service professor of earth and environmental science, at the joint meeting of the Northeastern and Southeastern Sections of the Geological Society of America held in Tysons Corner, Va. in March. **Dr. Mary Roden-**

Tice, associate professor of earth and environmental science, also presented research at the same conference on late mesozoic exhumation of the Northern Appalachian Orogen: information from apatite fission track ages.

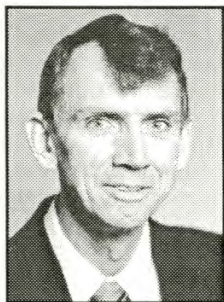
Dr. James Rice, associate professor of history, presented a paper, "Escape from Tsenacommacah: Chesapeake Algonquians and the Powhatan Menace, 1300-1624," at the Atlantic World and Virginia International, Invitational Conference held in March in Williamsburg, Va. In November, Rice gave the keynote speech, "A Hole in the Map: Towards an Environmental History of the Potomac," at The Potomac: America's River, 1491-1789 Conference in Alexandria, Va. He also gave an invitational paper at a University of Toronto Seminar in October.



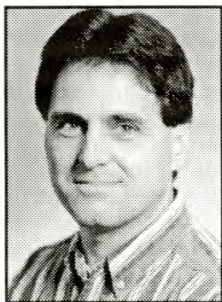
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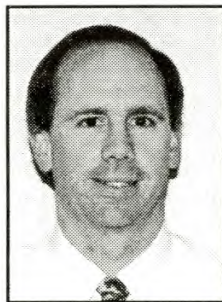
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FOCUS Calendar

Friday, April 23 - Monday, May 17

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

FRIDAY, APRIL 23

3 p.m. Multicultural Visitation Program/Open House, sponsored by Admission's Office. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

6 p.m. Open Mic Night w/ Tom Rooney, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Point Snack Bar.

6 p.m. "Princess of Porn and The Dukes of Dykedom", sponsored by SOUL. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

8 p.m. College Theatre Association, Tickets \$2 on sale at the door only. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

8 p.m. Latino Conference Beach Party, sponsored by El Pueblo. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

9 a.m. Spring Open House Program, sponsored by Admission's Office. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

1 p.m. World Week Soccer Tournament, sponsored by African Unity Organization and Club Italia. Memorial Hall Field.

4 p.m. Omicron Delta Kappa Induction Ceremony. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

7 p.m. Film Showing, sponsored by Asian Club. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. Gospelfest Concert, sponsored by the PSU Gospel Choir. Special guest appearance by the New Alpha Children's Choir. Advance Tickets: \$2 SA, \$5 faculty/staff/general admission, on sale at the Angell College Center Desk. Day-of Tickets: \$4 SA, \$8 faculty/staff/general admission, on sale at the door. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

8 p.m. College Theatre Association, Tickets on sale at

the door only \$ 2. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

SUNDAY, APRIL 25

9:30 a.m. Lambda Pi Chi Sorority Inc. Meeting, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

12 p.m. Kappa Delta Pi Induction, sponsored by Kappa Delta Pi. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

2:30 p.m. Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society Induction Ceremony, sponsored by Phi Kappa Phi. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

3 p.m. WQKE Benefit Concert, sponsored by WQKE Campus Radio. Tickets: \$2 admission at the door. Angell College Center Courtyard.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie, presents "Along Came Polly," sponsored by the SA Activities Coordination Board. Admission: free for SA Members with ID, \$2 faculty/staff, \$3 public, tickets on sale at the Angell College Center Desk only. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, APRIL 26

2 p.m. GIS Conference, sponsored by Earth & Environmental Science Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. Film Showing, sponsored by Club Caribbean. Yokum Hall 200.

TUESDAY, APRIL 27

11 a.m. CVPH Blood Drive, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

4 p.m. Volunteer Recognition Ceremony & Reception, sponsored by Project Help. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meetings, sponsored by Faculty Senate. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

6 p.m. Order of Omega Inductions, sponsored by Order of Omega. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

6 p.m. ANAD Vigil with Speaker and Movie, sponsored by Delta Phi Epsilon. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

7 p.m. Leslie Feinberg Speaking Presentation, sponsored by SOUL. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

7 p.m. Performance Class II, Free and open to the public. Krinovitz Recital Hall.

THURSDAY, APRIL 29

8:30 a.m. Recipe for College Success, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

12 p.m. New Member Workshop, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Meeting Room 2.

12 p.m. Recipe for College Success, sponsored by Student Support Services. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, presents Ellen Rothman, Associate Director, Massachusetts Foundations for the Humanities, speaking on Art, Politics and Women. Sponsored by the Women's Studies Department, with assistance from CAS. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. Dating Game-Win a Date With Steve Sweet, sponsored by Alpha Phi. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

8 p.m. Greek New Member Diversity Enlightenment, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

9 p.m. Comedy Show in Celebration of Greek Week, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

FRIDAY, APRIL 30

8 a.m. EXPLORE Heart

Teaching Day, sponsored by CVPH, College Auxiliary Services, Clinton Community College and Clinton County Department of Health. Registration information is available through CAS, 564-2035. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

11 a.m. Ethics in the Media Workshop, sponsored by Philosophy Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4 p.m. ODK Meeting, sponsored by Omicron Delta Kappa. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

6 p.m. Open Mic Night w/ Tom Rooney, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Point Snack Bar.

8 p.m. Jazz Fest, sponsored by the Music Department. Tickets on sale at the Angell College Center Desk or at the door: \$2 Plattsburgh State Students, \$5 faculty/staff/seniors/students, \$8 general. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

SUNDAY, MAY 2

4 p.m. Psi Chi Induction Ceremony, sponsored by Psychology Department. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

5:30 p.m. Greek Awards Banquet, open to members of the Greek Community. Tickets on sale through the Center for Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie, presents "Fifty First Dates," sponsored by the SA Activities Coordination Board. Admission: free for SA Members with ID, \$2 faculty/staff, \$3 public, tickets on sale at the Angell College Center Desk only. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, MAY 3

12 p.m. Longevity Luncheon, sponsored by

President's Office. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

TUESDAY, MAY 4

11 a.m. CVPH Blood Drive, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

3 p.m. International Education Meeting, sponsored by International Education. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

4:30 p.m. Jeopardy Challenge - Tournament of Champions, sponsored by Learning Center. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom A.

7:30 p.m. Guitar Ensemble Concert, sponsored by Music Department. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

8 p.m. Chamber Ensembles Concert II, Brass, Sinfonia and Flute Ensembles perform. FREE. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

THURSDAY, MAY 6

12 p.m. New Member Workshop, sponsored by Greek Affairs. Angell College Center Amnesty Room.

12:20 p.m. Women's Studies Forum, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4 p.m. SBE Spring Honor Societies Initiation Ceremony, sponsored by School of Business & Economics. Krinovitz Recital Hall.

4:30 p.m. English Honor Society Induction, sponsored by Sigma Tau Delta. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

4:30 p.m. Womens Studies Forum Awards & Celebration, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Angell College Center Warren Ballroom B.

8 p.m. Dance Performance, Phillip Cole Dance Classes perform. Admission \$2, tickets at the college center desk or at the door. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

FRIDAY, MAY 7

6 p.m. Open Mic Night w/

Tom Rooney, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Point Snack Bar.

SATURDAY, MAY 8

9 a.m. Junior Preview Day, sponsored by Admission's Office. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

9 a.m. Forge Magic Tournament, sponsored by Forge. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4 p.m. Phi Eta Sigma Induction Ceremony, sponsored by Educational Opportunity Program (EOP). Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

8 p.m. Faculty Recital -- Michael Fratino, Guitar, sponsored by Music Department. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

SUNDAY, MAY 9

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie, sponsored by Student Association. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, MAY 10

12:15 p.m. Chapter Accreditation Program Meeting, sponsored by Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

TUESDAY, MAY 11

8 a.m. Conference: The Anxious & Depressed Child, Bringing a Child Out of the Shadows. Sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Registration Fee: \$25 full-time PSU Student, \$95 general public, payable at the CAS Office, Clinton Hall, 564-3054. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

11:30 a.m. UUP Luncheon, sponsored by UUP. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Monthly Meetings, sponsored by Faculty Senate. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

FRIDAY, MAY 14

2 p.m. Professional Studies' Awards Ceremony, sponsored by Professional Studies. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

3 p.m. Senior Reception,

sponsored by Alumni Affairs, College Auxiliary Services and Campus Life. Angell College Center Flynt Commons.

5 p.m. Arts & Science Academic Achievement Award Ceremony, sponsored by Arts & Sciences. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

6 p.m. Nursing Pinning Ceremony, sponsored by Nursing, Food & Nutrition. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

8 p.m. Nursing Pinning Reception, sponsored by Nursing, Food & Nutrition. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

SATURDAY, MAY 15

8 a.m. School of Business Graduation Breakfast, sponsored by School of Business & Economics. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

11 a.m. Spring Commencement. Faculty and graduating seniors should be at the Field House no later than 10:30 a.m.

MONDAY, MAY 17

4 p.m. Graduate Student Orientation/Education, sponsored by Education Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

Watch for more information on Planning Day, scheduled for Monday, May 17.



Earth Week festivities began with a distribution of "free bikes" on Monday, April 19. Between 15 and 20 bikes have been donated and fixed up as part of the Burghy Bikes Pilot Program. These bikes were distributed to specially painted bike racks on campus and are available for free use by faculty and students who want to peddle their way across campus. They then would leave the bikes at specific racks for the next people who wanted to use them to get around campus. The Environmental Action Committee on campus is sponsoring the pilot program and hopes to expand Burghy Bikes next fall with more bikes and bike racks. The Earth Week Festival will be held on Saturday, April 24 from 12 to 8 p.m. at the Macdonough Monument area (across from City Hall in downtown Plattsburgh). The festival will feature local vendors, raffle prizes, crafts, dancing and live music. Musical guests include: Celebration Free Jazz (12 to 1:30 p.m.); Roy Hurd playing Adirondack folk (1:30 to 2:30 p.m.); Lee-ward Down (3 40 4 p.m.); Mike Peterson Band (4 to 6 p.m.); and Smoke House Brown (6 to 8 p.m.). The festival is free and everyone is welcome.

Environmental Science Student Receives Casella Scholarship

The Center for Earth and Environmental Science has named Allison Labriola, from Pleasant Valley, N.Y., the latest recipient of the Casella Waste Systems, Inc., Scholarship.

The Casella Scholarship Program, now in the third of a five-year period, is one of the largest scholarships for students at Plattsburgh State. Recipients receive \$10,000 annually through their junior and senior years. Currently a sophomore, Labriola is one of the top students in the environmental science program. She graduated from high school at the age of 16 and is pursuing her goal of completing graduate school in environmental law following her degree in environmental science from Plattsburgh State.

"I chose to study environmental science because I've always been interested in the outdoors and enjoy spending a lot of time outside," Labriola said. "I'm also interested in the field, especially environmental law, because I feel I can make a difference."

The Casella Scholarship will allow her to pursue her interests in environmental regulation and how waste management industries, such as Casella Waste Systems, Inc., comply with these regulations.

"I'm very excited about the scholarship and the opportunity to work with Casella," said Labriola. "This is a well-known and prestigious scholarship and I'm looking forward to getting experience in my field. I'll enjoy being immersed in the day-to-day operations of a company and will be able to see how the company runs from the ground up."

Each year one new sophomore student is selected



L-r: Dr. Kathy Lavoie, dean of arts and science; Ian Ater, a Casella scholarship recipient; Dr. Timothy Mihuc, earth and environmental science; Allison Labriola, the latest Casella scholarship recipient; Ted Reeves, permits, compliance and engineering for Casella; Dr. Robert Golden, provost; Dr. Robert Fuller, earth and environmental science; Dr. Kate Joyce, earth and environmental science.

for the two-year program. During the two-year schedule, the scholarship recipients participate in meetings, workshops, conferences and planning sessions with Casella employees, develop a project in recycling education, waste management, waste reduction, solid waste management or conformance with environmental regulations and conduct a summer internship with Casella. The students during their senior year are then required to prepare a presentation of their projects.

Labriola joins Ian Ater, a junior from Rochester, N.Y., and Carla Canjar, a senior from Fairport, N.Y., as the first three recipients of the Casella scholarship. Canjar will graduate in May of this year.

Greek Week Monday, April 26 - Sunday, May 2

Everyone seems to be getting into the spirit of spring, including the Greek community, which is preparing for the spring tradition of Greek Week.

Greek Week is a weeklong series of events aimed to promote unity and friendship among the Greek community and the students and faculty at Plattsburgh State.

There will be several events throughout the week for Greek members to participate in and the public to attend. (Events are free except where noted.)

Monday, April 26

- 9 a.m. - Donut Delivery to Faculty
- 4 p.m. - Faculty/Staff Appreciation Reception, President's House
- 7 p.m. - Kickball Tournament, Memorial Hall Gym

Tuesday, April 27

- 7:30 p.m. - Greek Sing Talent Show, Warren Ballroom A, Angell College Center

Wednesday, April 28

- 8 p.m. - Capture the Flag, Amite Plaza

Thursday, April 29

- 9 p.m. - Comedian Tim Young, Warren Ballrooms, Angell College Center

Friday, April 30

- 4 p.m. - Greek Olympics and BBQ, Memorial Hall

Field

Saturday, May 1

- 10:30 a.m. - Community Service Project in conjunction with the Kent-Delord House Museum, Crete Civic Center.

Sunday, May 2

- 6 p.m. - Fraternity/Sorority Awards Banquet, Warren Ballrooms, Angell College Center. Admission is \$3. Pre-registration and proper attire required.

Other ongoing Greek-sponsored events include Order of Omega and Gamma Sigma Alpha Honor Society induction ceremonies and Rho Lambda Honor Society tapping ceremonies Tuesday, April 27 at 6 p.m. in the Warren Ballrooms.

Alpha Phi Sorority's fundraiser, "Win a Date with Steve Sweet" will be held on Thursday, April 29 at 8 p.m. in the Warren Ballrooms. Sweet, from Penfield, N.Y., is a senior history major with a social studies concentration and member of Sigma Tau Gamma Fraternity.

For information regarding Greek Week or Greek life in general, contact Allison Swick-Duttine, coordinator of Greek Affairs and Leadership Development, at (518) 564-3824 or by email at swickan@plattsburgh.edu

-- by Alexa Gordon, Public Relations Intern

BUSINESS AFFAIRS DIVISION *Update*

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BUDGET OFFICE

In many respects, 2003-2004 is the birth year of Plattsburgh's Budget Department - in its current form.

The Business Affairs Division organizationally restructured the budget and accounting functions this year. Clark Foster now heads the Budget Office as the budget control officer, assisted by Chris Jackson, staff accountant, hired in June 2003.

Our biggest challenge is defining our new role on campus, establishing the relationships to make us successful and to hold ourselves accountable as we strive to provide professional budget services for the campus.

During the year, the Budget Office was asked to join a Middle States Review Subcommittee, formed by Provost Golden. This subcommittee was charged with making recommendations to link our strategic, budget and planning processes. The work of this subcommittee provided recommendations that were included in the planning and assessment section of the Interim Report prepared for Middle States, dated March 2004. Chris Jackson was also elected to the Campus Strategic Planning Committee as a Business Affairs representative.

Budget worksheets and budget instruction manuals were developed for our State and Income Fund Reimbursable (IFR) funds. This is a major accomplishment as these instructions operationally link our planning and budgeting processes. For the 2004-05 budget year, the budget process is in its beginning stages.

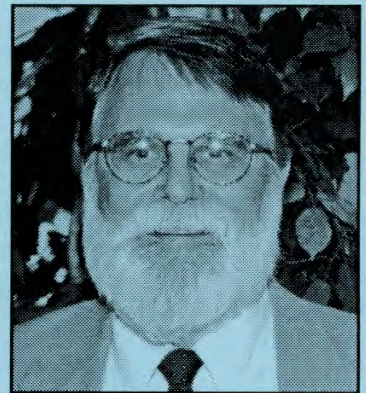
Regardless of its final form, the greatest benefit we will derive from a well-defined process is a consistent and inclusive approach in preparing, reviewing and finalizing our budgets - all within the framework of our strategic priorities.

At present, we have no shortage of future challenges related to our campus budget process. We need to develop budget instructions and timelines for our other funds (i.e. - Dorm, Summer Session, Plattsburgh College Foundation, CAS, Construction Fund). Once this is completed, we need to develop a comprehensive budget calendar for all of our funds. The calendar will link our strategic, enrollment and facilities planning schedules.

This year, the Budget Office has participated in various public and planning day forums on campus. These provided information concerning the campus's current budget status, budget outlook for next year and provided updates on the campus budget process. We also held training sessions for state account managers and
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From the Desk of...

John Homburger
Vice President,
Business Affairs



Although this issue is dominated by a lot of "do this and do that's," we feel it is important to inform everyone with little bites about rules, regulations and policies that we are obligated to comply with in performing our daily responsibilities on campus.

The financial condition of the campus still remains viable, but very restricted. There have been signals from Albany that the legislature is at least listening to our advocacy for additional funds. The message being sent is simply to restore the \$50 million that was generated from increasing tuition this year and subsequently redistributed under the political methodology of "hold harmless." Our campus' stake in the reallocation of funds was over \$2.6 million in new tuition dollars generated creating somewhat of an oxymoron for campuses that were contributing resources to help "hold harmless" other campuses that rely on a disproportionate amount of state support.

On whole, (all funds) we are feeling the pressure of lower enrollment revenue combined with some potential softness in next fall's class, while absorbing this year's short fall, particularly in graduate students (full and part-time). What is holding it together? Many sacrifices and support from across the campus. We have used all the traditional tactics of holding positions open, reducing operating costs, introducing cost-effective electronic solutions, aggressive collection practices (but appropriate), accelerated financial aid processing, contained overtime, and the list goes on.

Even after taking all these actions "we are not out of the woods" for the coming 2004-05 academic/fiscal year. There is still more to do, and we will continue to work at it with everyone's help.

FACILITIES UPDATE

The summer is starting to fill up with lots of activity. The grounds are always the biggest challenge when the snow recedes and we begin to see what needs to be spiffed up with raking, trimming, aerating, preparing plant beds, sweeping and general clean up.

The projects planned for this summer will be visible in setting new concrete walks through the campus (especially in front of Hawkins Hall), repainting brick walls, the start and finish of

the new soccer/lacrosse field, rehabing the exterior of the Field House facia and exterior stairs, the east wing of Macdonough Hall, and one or two roofs if the budget is passed.

Although construction and rehabilitation projects can be inconvenient and sometimes very annoying, it is perceived a positive activity by parents and students.

Let us know if we create an impossible situation, and we will react as sensitively as possible.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

In an effort to reduce the amount of erroneous calls directed to the 911 Emergency Dispatch Center, the Telecommunications Office will be changing the procedure of making off-campus calls. Currently, as you are aware, a person has to dial "9" to access an outside line. When the user proceeds to dial a long distance number, they dial "1" (after the "9"), and sometimes forgetting that they dialed the "1," they then dial "1" again initiating a call to 911. These types of errors place valuable resources on hold for legitimate emergency calls. According to Craig Scholl, Emergency Services dispatch supervisor, during Sept. 2, 2002 through May 3, 2003, 1,770 emergency calls were made from the campus. Of those calls, 1,120 were abandoned calls. Each time a call is made, a dispatcher needs to send help, call the number back and fill out

a report. The College also has to investigate the situation by sending a uniformed officer to the location of the call.

The change, using "8" to gain an access to an outside line will fix this problem. If 811 was dialed accidentally, the call will not go through to 911. The only way a call will go through is if a person were to dial "8-911" or "911" from their campus telephone.

This change will affect all modems preprogrammed to dial off campus as well as alarms and station speed dials dialing off campus. The anticipated date for this change is the morning of July 12, 2004. Reminders about this change will be sent out as the day approaches.

If you have any questions/concerns with this change, please e-mail me at michael.caraballo@plattsburgh.edu.

INTERNAL CONTROL

Plattsburgh State is required to comply with certification provisions of the Internal Control Act of 1987. For the period April 1, 2003 - March 31, 2004, the Campus was unable to certify material compliance with the requirements set forth by this act.

The campus has instituted several initiatives to accommodate review of our existing program in order to advise Vice President Homburger how compliance can be reinstated in 2005.

During the upcoming fiscal year, the campus will engage SUNY Central Administration's Internal Control department to provide assistance with updating our existing plan and developing an ongoing assessment initiative relative to internal control.

Dr. John Clark, interim president, issued a tone at the top letter, which reinforces the campus' commitment to this important initiative that will ensure successful achievement of the Campus' mission.

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scheduled training sessions for IFR account managers on the preparation of their 2004-05 budget requests and the budget process.

The Budget Office is now on the Web at www.plattsburgh.edu/intranet/businessaffairs/budgeting, which is linked to the VP for Business Affairs page. At present the page includes links to download instructions for State or IFR budget requests.

Future Challenges:

As we further develop our "All Funds" budget process we will need to communicate any changes and train those who will be developing budgets. Continued and on-going training will be necessary. As much as possible, depending on resource allocation priorities, we plan to make the campus budget process Web based.

Our other challenge is to create a fully functional Budget

Office web site. We plan to provide instructions for budget preparation for all funds, an overview of Plattsburgh's budget process, current and historical budget information and links to other appropriate budget sites (SUNY, NYS, OSC, etc).

One of our greatest challenges we face is campus buy-in. With years of budget cuts and flat budgets, it's difficult to adopt a new budget process. However, these are the times when an integrated budget process truly pays dividends. Leadership at all levels must embrace this. We have made a significant change - from a centralized budget process to one that is decentralized and connected to strategic planning.

The Budget Office has a sense of purpose and a feeling that our thoughts, opinions and actions are making a positive impact for the campus. We appreciate the support the campus has shown us and look forward to a very busy 2004-05. We also appreciate your comments and suggestions as we continue to refine our campus budget process. Thank you.

BURSAR'S OFFICE

Forms Available on Bursar Website

You can now download the following forms from the Bursar's website: application for in-state residency for tuition purposes, payment plan application, request for a health insurance waiver, and form to authorize the Bursar's Office to apply excess financial aid from one term to another term. The website address is www.plattsburgh.edu/bursar. At the webpage, scroll down a few lines and you'll see a section titled "Forms." Select the form you want to print, complete it, and then mail it or fax it to our office.

Important Dates

If you pre-registered for summer classes, you will receive an invoice by the first week in May. If you register for summer classes sometime after pre-registration, you will receive an invoice within a week after you register.

If you pre-registered for fall classes or if you already paid a tuition deposit, you should receive a payment plan packet by the first of June. This packet contains a payment plan application,

instructions, a tuition and fee schedule and a return envelope. If you wish to enroll in the five-month payment plan, your first payment is due by June 20.

Another bulk mailing will go out by mid- to late-June and will contain brochures from several departments on campus. You should receive this packet by the first of July. Please read these brochures carefully. They will contain information about student health insurance, the Fitness Center program on campus and information about other services that you can choose to include on your fall invoice. If you pre-registered for fall classes, you will receive an invoice around July 12. The due date for this first batch of invoices is July 28. Thereafter, we'll mail invoices every week.

To Contact the Bursar's Office, call (518) 564-3120 or toll free (800) 360-8365. You can also e-mail at bursar@plattsburgh.edu or fax to (518) 564-3116.

Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Window hours start at 9 a.m.

FINANCIAL AID

The Financial Aid Office started mailing 2004-05 award letters March 26, roughly the same day as last year. After receiving an award letter, students and parents have consistently asked how much their bill would be for the fall semester after accounting for financial aid. This is an important issue for students and parents of freshmen who are undecided and still selecting a college.

To address this issue, the 2004-05 award letter added a new feature -- an estimated bill. Each paper award letter includes an estimate of the fall and spring bill balance after financial aid is deducted from their charges. We hope this will allow students and parents to make more informed decisions and to help them prepare and plan for the semester.

Some interesting statistics for full-time undergraduates in 2003-04:

- 84% have some form of financial aid
- 66% have loans
- 65% have grants

- 17% have scholarships
- 11% have housing or tuition waivers
- 7% have work-study

Many people think that not all students have financial aid. This implies that students with financial aid are in the minority. As one can see from these statistics, this statement is misleading, and the reverse is actually prevalent at Plattsburgh. Most students have financial aid with a minority not having any aid at all.

New Waiting Area In Financial Aid

Parents and students usually wait a brief period before being able to meet with a financial aid advisor. In order to make this wait more comfortable and entertaining, Financial Aid recently expanded the size of its waiting room. The new waiting area is larger and brighter. Next year, a few new pieces of furniture will be purchased, and there will be subscriptions to some magazines for the younger generation.

PURCHASING

Procurement and Travel Card Update:

New York State has awarded Citibank Visa the new Procurement and Travel Card Contract. The conversion from AMEX is scheduled for completion prior to June 30. Individuals currently using AMEX can continue using their card until further notice.

In addition to the conversion, the Purchasing Office will increase the number of procurement cardholders to reduce the number of small dollar purchases. For more information on procurement cards, contact the Purchasing Office at 518-564-4601.

Fiscal Year End Processing:

Offices are required to submit non-contract purchase requisitions for state and income reimbursable purchases valued at more than \$20,000 prior to May 17 to allow time for the state bidding

process. All purchase requisitions for state and income accounts for the 2003 - 2004 fiscal year should be submitted prior to June 18 to allow time for processing.

Offices who have submitted open or blanket orders for the year should review those purchases to ascertain whether the balance is adequate for the remainder of the fiscal year. Questions for year-end processing should be also directed to the Purchasing Office.

Enterprise Rent-A-Car:

The Accounts Payable Office recently sent a notice to all employees concerning the award to Enterprise for the use of rental cars in other areas. Please refer to the notice when making reservations for rental cars outside the local area.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Accounts Payable would like to update and clarify some policies regarding invoices, packing slips/receiving and departmental responsibilities for making sure that the vendors are receiving their payments in a timely manner. Interest charges will be assessed by Albany when payments are not made within 30 calendar days of our agency receiving the goods or services and a proper invoice.

- All original invoices and packing slips must be sent to the Accounts Payable Office immediately. Please direct vendors to send all invoices to Accounts Payable and not to the department.
- As the result of a recent audit, verbal approvals for payment are not acceptable. There should always be some form of delivery, packing slip or confirmation of receipt. Accounts Payable cannot make a payment without receiving evidence that goods or services have been received.
- Complete receiving information on the packing slip before forwarding to Accounts Payable. Circle the items you have received (use the shipped column if available), record the date the merchandise was received and sign your name. This information is used in the payment process to verify: what was actually received, who received it, when it was received and that it is acceptable. Merchandise that has been set-up in a department will always have a set-up/delivery slip. Keep photocopies for your records.
- If a vendor requires pre-payment before delivery, the department must attach written justification stating that pre-payment is the only accepted method for payment. The department must also have a procedure in place to follow-up, ensuring the delivery of the goods or services.
- All paperwork sent to Accounts Payable must include the

purchase order number.

- When requesting a Purchase Order Number or Authorization to Expedite, always write the requisition up immediately and send it to the Purchasing Office.
- For all printing jobs, i.e. brochures, magazines, advertisements, Accounts Payable will need an original of the printed material before making payment. Please send two copies if the order is over \$2,500.
- If you receive a duplicate or certified copy of an invoice, do not write up a requisition unless you are absolutely sure that one hasn't already been written up.
- Before making hotel reservations, please check the New York State maximum allowed Travel Per Diem Rates available at <http://www.policyworks.gov/perdiem>. Only business telephone calls will be reimbursed and there will be no reimbursement for movies or alcoholic beverages. Sales tax will not be reimbursed when renting rooms in New York State. You must present either the tax-exempt certificate ST-129 or AC-946 at check in and when traveling to New York City you need an additional City of New York Tax-Exempt Certificate. You can print these forms from the travel web site or they are available from the Accounts Payable Office.
- Restaurant charges must include a detailed receipt. Do not pay sales tax when the meal is part of a group or department sponsored function. Alcoholic beverages are also prohibited from reimbursement and tipping is limited to 15% (or reasonably close). Calculate the tip amount based only on the food and beverage portion of the bill.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Larry Mills, executive director of human resources, is working with Paul Tucci, assistant controller from SUNY System Administration, on an Enterprise Risk Assessment project. This is a continuation of a Deloitte & Touche report on risk that went to the SUNY Board of Trustees in May 2003.

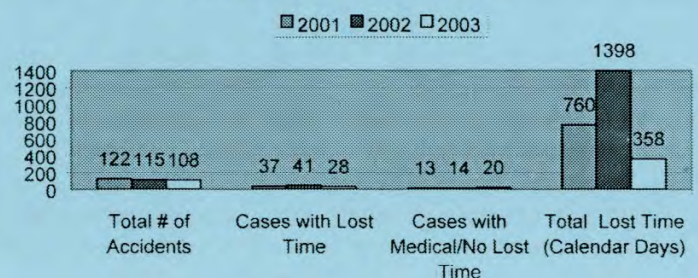
In an effort to update electronic and paper files, Human Resources conducted a Personal Information Update project. We provided all 1,062 State employees with a summary of their personal information from a database and offered them the opportunity to make corrections. This reminder to employees contributed to increasing the accuracy of campus-wide reports and labels including the Building Occupancy and Emergency Contact Reports for the Emergency Operations Center. Individuals were also reminded to change their beneficiaries as their situations change. We have received 68 percent of the updates that were sent out.

In response to concerns about declining morale due to inconsistent application of the attendance rules and HR/Payroll's observations of employees and supervisors not adhering to the Civil Service Leave and Attendance Rules, we implemented a campus-wide education initiative. Some of the more common issues cited were inconsistencies among supervisors, falsification of time records, unauthorized overtime/compensatory time and improper use of sick leave. Accordingly, Brenda Kramer, payroll manager, and Sue Welch, assistant director of human resources, offered Supervisory and Employee Sick Leave Accrual Building and Leave Benefits workshops. This served not only as an inter-

nal control function to improve the fairness and consistency of the application of attendance rules across campus, but also to educate employees on the financial security provided through sick leave accruals. We had 67 percent attendance of supervisors of classified staff and 98 percent attendance of classified staff. We will continue to monitor timekeeping and sick leave usage to determine the effect of this campus-wide training.

We remain committed to monitoring injury and Worker's Compensation claims closely with the State Insurance Fund and to working with the Environmental Health and Safety and Maintenance and Operations departments to address the safe work environment, a decrease in injuries and lost workdays. Since our participation with the North Country on the Job Network (NCOJN) and the inception of the Zero Accident Program (ZAP), we have had a reduction in total accidents and total lost time, which are documented below.

Work Related Accident Statistics



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Faculty/Staff Receive Chancellor's Award

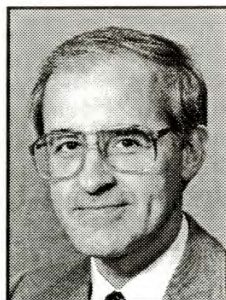
Two faculty members and one staff member at Plattsburgh State have been named recipients of the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence. Created in 1973, the Chancellor's Award recognizes the outstanding performance of SUNY's teaching faculty and staff.

Dr. Nancy Elwess, associate professor of biology, is the recipient of the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching while Dr. Donald Adams, professor of earth and environmental science, is the recipient of the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities.

Dr. Kathleen Camelo, director of the Center for Student Health and Psychological Services, is the recipient for the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Professional Service.

Elwess joined the faculty in 1998 following a senior research fellow appointment in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at the Mayo Clinic. She holds a bachelor's in zoology from Eastern Illinois University, a master's in science education from Governors State University, a master's in biology from Purdue University and a Ph.D. in molecular biology from the University of Vermont.

"Dr. Elwess is an exceptional teacher who engages and challenges her students to stretch and grow as learners," said Dr. John Clark, interim president. "She is creative, enthusiastic and is available and accessible to



Adams



Camelo



Elwess

her students and colleagues. Dr. Elwess personifies the values and criteria for the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching."

Elwess has co-authored nine articles and four abstracts with students in her five years at Plattsburgh, given 20 invited presentations and sponsored numerous student presentations at local, regional and national conferences, including the National Association of Biology Teachers. Her teaching load covers general biology, general genetics, bioinformatics, communicating biology and an honors course on bioethics and biotechnology.

Adams joined the faculty in 1982 coming from Wright State University in Ohio. He received his bache-

(See Chancellor's Awards, Page 2)

Commencement Set for May 15

More than 900 students at Plattsburgh State are eligible to participate in Spring Commencement on Saturday, May 15 at 11 a.m. at the Field House.

Among the special awards to be presented during the ceremony, two important individuals to the College will be honored with the Distinguished Service Award.

Robert Garrow and Dr. John Clark will be recognized for their contributions and service by the College Council.

Garrow graduated from Plattsburgh State in 1952 with a bachelor's degree in education. He received his master's degree in education administration in 1959 from Plattsburgh.

Garrow served as chair of the College Council for nearly 18 years. He was appointed in June 1986 and stepped down from the council this past March.

"The opportunity of serving my alma mater for nearly 18 years has been a joy and wonderful experi-

ence," said Garrow. "I've been most fortunate to served with many college council members who, like myself, have a deep love for the College."

Clark began his tenure as the interim president of Plattsburgh State last June. When he came to campus, Clark said that there were three main goals he wanted to accomplish during his time at the College.

(See Commencement, Page 6)

Congratulations Graduates!

Hockey Team Participates in Charity Game

Top, right: The Plattsburgh State Men's Ice Hockey Team took off their skates and hit the court at St. John's Academy for a charity basketball game against the St. John's faculty and staff. The Cardinals came from behind to defeat the mighty St. John's squad in the April event. Following the game, St. John's students had the opportunity to meet the Cardinal players and get their autographs. Here, the two teams posed for a team shot.



Nielson Honored by SUNY

Bottom, right: Craig Nielson, a sophomore from Markham, Ontario, Canada, not only shined as Plattsburgh State's goalie on the Men's Ice Hockey Team, but he excelled as a scholar-athlete in the classroom. He was recently honored by SUNY, given the Chancellor's Scholar-Athlete Award for the highest grade point average among All-SUNYAC hockey all-stars. Nielson is majoring in business and led the Cardinals to the NCAA tournament this past March. The award was presented to Nielson during a special ceremony and dinner in Albany, N.Y. Pictured at the event is (l-r): Head Coach Bob Emery, Nielson, Chancellor Robert King and Cami J. Nowe, national education manager at *USA Today*, which co-sponsored the ceremony.



Sodexo has Successful Servathon Fundraiser

Sodexo Campus Services recently participated in an annual nation-wide fundraiser to help the hungry.

"This year's Servathon was very successful," said Patrick Spellman, Sodexo general manager at Plattsburgh State.

Sodexo employees raised a total of \$2,365 through a number of fundraisers including a raffle and food drive. In addition, Sodexo employees served up a lasagna dinner at the Trinity Meal Kitchen.

Funds raised will benefit the Trinity Meal Kitchen. The collection of non-perishable foods collected during the S.T.O.P. Hunger Campaign will be donated to the Plattsburgh Interfaith Food Shelf.

Bridget Burleigh won two movie passes and dinner for two for selling the most raffle tickets.

The Alzheimer's Disease Assistance Center won a free office lunch for the staffs contributions to the fundraiser.

Chancellor's Awards (Continued from Page 1)

lor's degree in chemistry from Whitworth College in Washington, his master's degree in chemical oceanography from the University of Washington and a Ph.D. in oceanography from Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia, Canada.

Over the course of his academic career, Adams has become a nationally and internationally recognized researcher on greenhouse gases and global climate change. He engages in research, lectures and teaching at colleges and universities around the world and has received 30 fellowships to engage in these activities.

Adams has also co-edited three books and has published numerous articles in more than 20 peer-

reviewed journals, abstracts and conference proceedings and reports.

"Dr. Adams has been described as a pioneer," said Clark. "He has been hailed by scholars throughout the United States and internationally for his record of scholarly productivity, and for his service to the field of limnology and environmental science. Dr. Adams is also an engaged teacher who encourages and supports students to explore their own research questions."

Camelo joined the Plattsburgh State community in 1993 as medical director for the Student Health Service. Prior to her appointment, Camelo had attained partnership status at Kaiser Permanente

Southern California Medical Center in San Diego.

She also served as a primary care physician in Plattsburgh from 1989 to 1990. She received her bachelor's from LeMoyne College, her M.D. from SUNY Buffalo and completed her family practice residency at United Health Service in Johnson City, N.Y.

"Respected and dedicated, Dr. Camelo is thoroughly professional in all that she does," said Clark. "She reaches across the campus to create and foster a healthy learning and work environment and has affected the lives of thousands of student patients, her staff and our local community."



Works by 23 graduating art majors are featured in the Senior Exhibition 2004. Presented by the Plattsburgh State Art Museum, the Art Department and the Senior Class of 2004, the exhibition runs through Saturday, May 15 in the Burke Gallery and throughout the Myers Fine Arts Building. The exhibition features more than 200 works produced by the students in the various mediums taught at the College. The exhibition, in addition to the art being shown, has been produced by the students themselves as part of the Museum Studies courses taught by Edward Brohel, museum director.

Luncheon Honors Longtime Employees

The Annual Longevity Luncheon was held Monday, May 3 in the Cardinal Lounge, Angell College Center. Helen Rock, coordinator of the Employee Assistant Program, was honored for her 40 years of service to Plattsburgh State.

Those honored for 35 years of service included: Leith Bardon, associate professor of Sport and Wellness; Joseph Bodenrader, associate professor of mathematics; Dr. Youngsik Jang, professor of economics and finance; Dr. Gerald Kokoszka, professor of chemistry; Brenda Kramer, payroll supervisor; Howard LaPointe, kitchen supervisor; Janice Ryan, secretary in business affairs; and Kathryn Straub, secretary in academic advisement.

Those honored for 30 years included: Dr. Gary Brannigan, professor of psychology; David Corron, janitor; Dr. Patricia Higgins, associate vice president of academic affairs and distinguished professor of anthropology; and Candace Noel, calculations clerk.

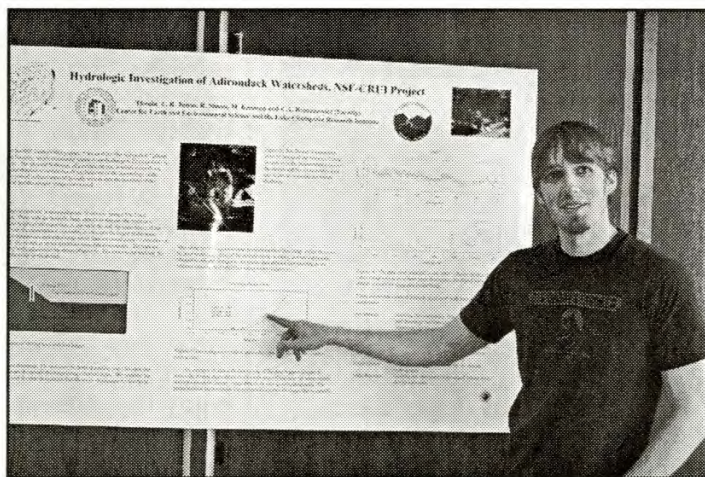
Those honored for 25 years of service included: Dr. David Bedworth,



professor of adolescence/health education; Edward Brohel, director of the art museum; Holly Burnell, Sodexho; Gail Corron, cleaner; Laurie Daniels, cleaner; Dr. Byrne DeGrandpre, associate professor of special education; Anthony Howard, maintenance assistant; Gilbert Jock, maintenance supervisor; Florence Lavene, supervising janitor; Marilyn Lippacher, building service aide; John McLennan, grounds worker; Dr. E. Thomas Moran, director of the Institute for Ethics in Public Life and Distinguished Service Professor of education and psychology; Howard Plumadore, plant utilities engineer; and Michael Walsh, director of transfer admissions.



On Saturday, April 24, families from across New York and beyond swarmed campus as part of Open House. The day started with a welcoming program in the E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium where they heard Dr. John Ettling, entering president; Kathy Lavoie, dean of arts and science; William Laundry, interim vice president for student affairs and enrollment management and dean of students; and Michael Harrington, SA president. The more than 500 students and their families then went on walking tours of the campus. In the Angell College Center, an academic fair and student organization fair gave the incoming students the opportunity to find more information on majors and extracurricular activities Plattsburgh State has to offer.



Showcase Week, Monday - Sunday, April 19-25, highlighted student projects across campus. From nursing to business, computer science to philosophy and psychology to earth and environmental science, students proudly showed their work. Showcase also included musical performances and the opening of the senior art exhibition. Showcase made a triumphant return to Plattsburgh State after a long hiatus. Showcase was a major event until the early '90s. Following requests from faculty, staff and students, the campus re-instituted Showcase Week to display the quality of student academic achievement and to reaffirm Plattsburgh State's commitment to its primary higher educational mission. Above, earth and environmental student Mike Dieterich talks about his project.

focus on seniors

On May 15, Plattsburgh State will send forth another class of graduates who are off to start the next step in their lives. Some will continue their education at institutions across the country while others will enter the workforce -- we're proud of each and every one of them and can be confident that they have a solid foundation as a result of their Plattsburgh State education. The following articles highlight a few students from the Plattsburgh State Class of 2004.

Tina LaMour will be graduating magna cum laude on Saturday, May 15 with a BFA in studio art, concentrating in sculpture and printmaking.

After graduation there's no time to rest as LaMour prepares to travel westward.

"I will be attending the University of Colorado - Boulder, pursuing a master's degree in fine arts," said LaMour. "I will look back on my education at Plattsburgh State as an excellent foundation and credit the faculty, especially Diane Fine and Don Osborn, with the development of my work to date and the



LaMour

support to pursue my goals."

LaMour was a recipient of the Lucienne Glaubinger Award in Sculpture, which she credits for giving her the time to develop her work conceptually as well as technically.

She was a tutorial assistant for printmaking and sculpture and taught a plaster carving course for seventh- through ninth-graders at the North Country Cultural Center for the Arts.

She's also been involved in the Visual Artist Series with other art students, selecting artists to participate in the program.

Sean Hibbins is spending this semester student teaching in Galway, N.Y. His post-graduation plans include traveling to Japan for a year to teach English.



Hibbins

"I think it will be a good experience," said Hibbins. "There's a high demand for native speakers of English. It's an exciting opportunity to experience the culture, and I'm really looking forward to it."

When he returns, he hopes to teach French in a high school somewhere in the Capital District.

Justin Elmendorf

is a mass communications major who is currently in Englewood Cliffs, N.J. working as an



Elmendorf

intern at CNBC Television. He works in the On-Air Promotion and Satellite Operations departments.

"After 13 weeks, I still love coming to work every day just because I work with the finest, nicest people that television production has to offer," said Elmendorf.

Although nothing is firm as of yet, there may be a job opening for Elmendorf with CNBC after graduation.

While a student, Elmendorf was a Student Ambassador, a member of two Student Association boards and was the student representative to the Northeast Region of the National Collegiate Honors Council in 2002-2003.

Emily Beckley

is a food and nutrition major from Hyde Park, N.Y. and will be going to Indiana next August to begin her one-year



Beckley

internship at Ball State University. "I'm so excited," said Beckley. "I enjoy the clinical aspect of nutrition and am looking forward to getting more experience through my internship."

She said that she's heard from other food and nutrition graduates who have completed their internships that the program at Plattsburgh State really prepared them well for their experience.

"They've (past interns) said that they were the most prepared compared to interns from other schools," said Beckley. She also said that she enjoys working with others doing community service and volunteer work.

Lyndelle LeBruin

from the Commonwealth of Dominica, is graduating with a bachelor's in chemistry. The next step for her is to go on to medical school.



LeBruin

"I want to do clinical therapy," said LeBruin. "I love interacting with people and helping people feel better about themselves. I'm also interested in medical research. So these are my two options right now."

LeBruin said she loved coming to Plattsburgh and will miss the community spirit.

"There's always someone you see on campus that you know."

LeBruin serves as a Student Ambassador and is a member of the Plattsburgh Gospel Choir. She is also a member of Alpha Phi Omega, a service fraternity; Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honor society; and Phi Kappa Phi, an all-discipline honor society.

focus on seniors

Elizabeth Paccione, a music major from Stony Point, N.Y., has decided her course of action after graduation -- she is going to Drexel University in Philadelphia, Pa. to study music therapy.

"I'm very excited," said Paccione. "It's another step towards what it is I want to do, which is to be a music therapist. I want to work with different populations and help them experience emotions in a different way."

She said she'll miss all the performance opportunities the music program at Plattsburgh State afforded her.

"I've played in the Jazz Ensemble, Symphonic Band and Flute Ensemble," she said. "I love the faculty here. I feel they've prepared me to go out and get my master's."

Paccione is a member of Phi Kappa Phi and Kappa Delta Pi and has helped raise money and participated in community service for the Council for Exceptional Children.



Paccione

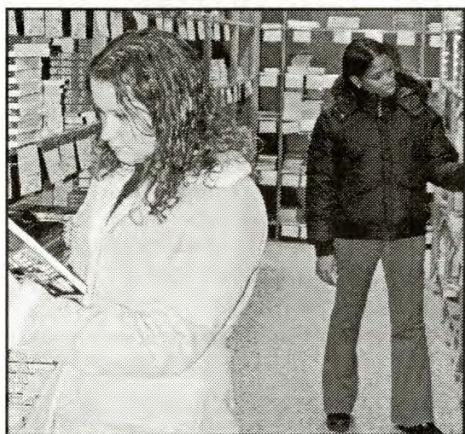
This May will be the second time **Rose Wells** graduates from Plattsburgh State. But, this time around, the Chazy resident will take her second bachelor's degree and parlay it into a career in community counseling.

Her 1977 English degree didn't lead Wells, 49, down a career path. She married after college and had two sons, now 15 and 13. A divorce left her a single mom of two. By her own admission she had "pretty much hit bottom. Something needed to change," she said. With the boys in Schenectady with her ex-husband, Wells relocated to the Plattsburgh area and eventually decided to come back to school for psychology and counseling. She will return to Plattsburgh to earn her master's degree in counseling, but not before taking the summer off to spend time with her boys and family.

"I've worked very hard these last four semesters. I want to enjoy a break before grad school," she said.



Wells



Office of Public Relations interns Alexa Gordon (left) and Kaidian Smith (right) help serve as models in a photo for CAS.

Alexa Gordon and Kaidian Smith have spent their time this past semester interning in the Office of Public Relations at Plattsburgh State. Among their duties were writing articles for *Focus on Plattsburgh* and the *Plattsburgh Magazine*. Gordon also worked on special projects including writing and distributing hometown press releases. Smith had the opportunity to learn how to use QuarkExpress, a page layout software program. They will both graduate this May and are looking for career opportunities.

Steve Sweet, a history major with a social studies concentration and member of Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity, is from

Penfield, N.Y. He is a member of five honor societies -- Omicron Delta Kappa, Phi Kappa Theta, Kappa Delta Pi, Gamma Sigma Alpha and Phi Eta Sigma.

Sweet is also a visible pillar on campus. He is a student assistant for the Center for Greek Affairs and Leadership Development, a resident assistant in Whiteface Hall, a tour guide for the Office of Admissions and a summer orientation leader.

Sweet was also involved in the Student Association.

"The Student Association was a great time for me. I made many friends and I enjoyed my time there because I was able to meet and interact with diverse campus leaders," said Sweet, who plans to continue his leadership roles at graduate school at either Bowling Green State University in Ohio or the University of Vermont.



Sweet

Elizabeth Sanger is a graduating English major from Chazy, N.Y. After starting out at a school in Oregon with no idea what it was she wanted to do

in life, she found herself "drifting" back closer to home and enrolled at Plattsburgh State.

She's now on her way to the University of Montana in Missoula, where she'll be in the two-year MFA program in creative writing with a poetry concentration.

"I'm so excited. It's a really good program," said Sanger. "There are poets there that I'm really excited to work with. The program is nationally ranked. I'll be a TA (teaching assistant), which will cover tuition."

She said that the English faculty at Plattsburgh State has been really important to her.

"I cannot sing their praises high enough. I feel I have really good friends."

About her future, Sanger said, "I'll probably end up teaching creative writing at some level."



Sanger

FOCUS Calendar

Friday, May 7 - Monday, May 17

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

FRIDAY, MAY 7

6 p.m. Open Mic Night w/ Tom Rooney, sponsored by SA Activities Coordination Board. Angell College Center Point Snack Bar.

SATURDAY, MAY 8

9 a.m. Forge Magic Tournament, sponsored by Forge. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4 p.m. Phi Eta Sigma Induction Ceremony, sponsored by Educational Opportunity Program (EOP). Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

8 p.m. Faculty Recital -- Michael Frattino, Guitar, sponsored by Music Department. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

SUNDAY, MAY 9

8 p.m. SA Sunday Night Movie, sponsored by Student Association. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

MONDAY, MAY 10

12:15 p.m. Chapter Accreditation Program Meeting, sponsored by

Campus Life Office. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

1:15 p.m. Provosts Office Bag Lunch, sponsored by Provosts Office. Angell College Center Meeting Room 2.

TUESDAY, MAY 11

8 a.m. Conference: The Anxious & Depressed Child, Bringing a Child Out of the Shadows. Sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Registration Fee: \$25 full-time PSU Student, \$95 general public, payable at the CAS Office, Clinton Hall, 564-3054. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

11:30 a.m. UUP Luncheon, sponsored by UUP. Angell College Center Meeting Room 1.

4:30 p.m. Women's Studies Forum Awards & Celebration, sponsored by Women's Studies Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

4:30 p.m. Faculty Senate Monthly Meetings, sponsored by Faculty Senate. Angell

Center Plattsburgh Room.

FRIDAY, MAY 14

12 p.m. International Graduation Student Reception, sponsored by International Student Services. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

2 p.m. Professional Studies' Awards Ceremony, sponsored by Professional Studies. The Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall.

3 p.m. Senior Reception, sponsored by Alumni Affairs, College Auxiliary Services and Campus Life. Angell College Center Flynt Commons.

5 p.m. Arts & Science Academic Achievement Award Ceremony, sponsored by Arts & Sciences. Hawkins Hall E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium.

6 p.m. Nursing Pinning Ceremony, sponsored by Nursing, Food & Nutrition. Hartman Theater, Myers Fine Arts.

8 p.m. Nursing Pinning Reception, sponsored by Nursing, Food & Nutrition.

Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

SATURDAY, MAY 15

8 a.m. School of Business Graduation Breakfast, sponsored by School of Business & Economics. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

11 a.m. Spring Commencement. Faculty and graduating seniors should be at the Field House no later than 10:30 a.m.

MONDAY, MAY 17

4 p.m. Graduate Student Orientation/Education, sponsored by Education Department. Angell College Center Cardinal Lounge.

VAN SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAM CLASS:

May 18 (Tues) 9am-noon (M&O/Service Bldg). Employees interested in attending the 3-hour classroom instruction should contact Gina Doty at 564-5011. All van drivers on campus must complete the 2-part Van Safety Training course prior to using a 15-passenger van.

Commencement (Continued from Page 1)

"The first goal is to prepare the way for the new president," said Clark. "The second is to set short term goals and keep the ship moving. The third goal is to set a positive tone on campus."

By all accounts, he surpassed his goals and leaves Plattsburgh State in great shape for the incoming president, Dr. John Ettling.

"This has been John's first assignment in higher education," said Chancellor Robert King. "I frankly cannot imagine that anybody could have done a better job -- he far exceeded everyone's expectations."

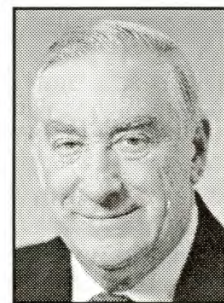
The student commencement speaker will be Ashley Gambino, a communication disorders and sciences major from Cortlandt Manor, N.Y.

Gambino, a Presidential Scholarship recipient, has been very active in the Honors Program and the Honor Student Association.

She's not done with her higher education experience just yet. She had several top universities courting her for graduate school. Her decision: SUNY Buffalo, where she'll be in the four-year audiology doctorate program.



Clark



Garrow



Gambino

"I'm excited, nervous, but excited," said Gambino, who spent a semester of her junior year in Florence, Italy as part of the Study Abroad Program.

Gambino said she found it impossible not to get involved. Among a list of activities, she is a Student Ambassador, a Resident Assistant in Kent Hall and has been a teaching assistant for Dr. David Mowry, director of the Honors Center. She's a member of the Honors Council, Omicron Delta Kappa and Phi Kappa Phi.

Food and Nutrition Students Accepted for Dietetic Internships

Six Food and Nutrition students recently received word that they have been accepted to various dietetic internships all over the United States.

The students are: Emily Beckley from Hyde Park, N.Y.; Christine Buckla from Camillus, N.Y.; Christine Least from Rochester, N.Y.; Mathew Miller from Plattsburgh; Amy Moresco from Lake Placid, N.Y.; and Carrie Robertson from Black River, N.Y.

In order to become a registered dietitian, graduates must participate in a program accredited by the American Dietetic Association.

Internships are available in all 50 states as well as in Puerto Rico. These appointments are extremely competitive and only accept between five to 20 interns per year.

An internship typically takes between six months to two years to complete. Once the internship is completed, the intern can take the national registration exam given by the American Dietetic Association and can use the title of "registered dietitian (RD)."

Beckley was accepted to Ball State University in Muncie, Ind. She said she is thrilled that she will be able to apply her education at Ball Memorial Hospital.

Buckla has been accepted at Rhode Island University for her internship. She feels that the internship will be a great opportunity to meet new people and establish a foundation for her future career.

Least will be attending Penn State University to complete her internship. Her goals are to become regis-



L-r: Carrie Roberts, Emily Beckley, Amy Moresco, Matt Miller, Christine Buckla and Christine Least.

tered, obtain a master's degree and specialize in international nutrition.

Miller has been accepted to the Russell Sage Internship. Part of his experience will be done in the North Country (Plattsburgh, Tupper Lake) working with area dietitians.

Amy Moresco will be attending Keene State University in order to complete her internship this fall. She is excited to begin this next phase of her educational career and continue to move toward my goal of battling obesity in adults and children.

Robertson has been accepted to the internship at the University of South Dakota. She plans on becoming a registered dietitian and specializing in diabetes.

Spotlight on faculty and staff

Dr. Sam Northshield, professor of mathematics, spoke at the 11th Annual Hudson River Undergraduate Mathematics Conference, which was held at Mt. Holyoke College. The title of his talk was "Farey Sequences." This was the fifth trip to the HRUMC he has taken with others from Plattsburgh. This year, he was

accompanied by faculty member **Dr. Margaret Morrow**, assistant professor of mathematics, and eight students. Four of the students presented, "Mathematical JEOPARDY," a version of the game that involved math questions and audience participation, and three students presented a talk, "Fixed Point Theorems," which was a summary of fixed point theorems and their place in undergraduate mathematics. Northshield and Morrow also recently attended the Seaway Section Meeting of the Mathematical Association of America (MAA) held at SUNY-Cortland. Northshield gave a talk about Newton's method applied to

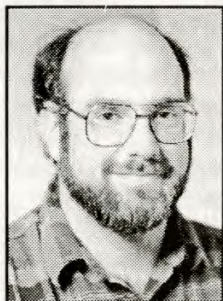
matrices. Morrow was appointed to a two year term as first vice chair of the Seaway Section

Dr. Thomas Rumney, professor of geography, has co-authored a chapter titled, "Canadian Studies," in *Geography in America on the Dawn of the 21st Century*. This volume, published by the Oxford University Press, was sponsored by the Association of American Geographers, the main professional geographers' association in the country. The organization has more than 50 specialty groups, each of which elected authors who would record and evaluate the contributions of each group to the study of geography in America during the past 15 years. Rumney's chapter records the work and professional activities of Canadianist geographers of the United States.

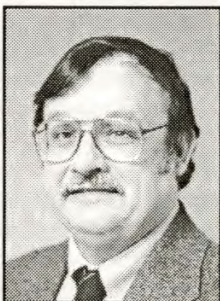
Arlene Sabo, University Police chief, was recently inaugurated as president of the SUNY Police Chief's Association in Utica, N.Y. Sabo is the first female president of the group and will serve a one-year term.



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Summer Sessions at Plattsburgh

Nearly 2,000 students enroll in summer classes at Plattsburgh State for a variety of reasons -- to get a taste of college life for the first time; to learn new skills and knowledge; to get a head start on the fall semester; to accelerate or complete their degree program; to spread course work more comfortably across the calendar year; to meet new friends; to take courses for professional or personal development; to enhance career opportunities; or just to have fun. About 1,878 students registered for classes last summer.

More than 300 credit and non-credit courses and workshops in a wide variety of areas are offered during the three sessions. Session A courses (May 17-28) permits students to complete up to three credit hours by the end of May. Session B (May 31- July 2) allows students to finish one or more courses before mid-summer. Session C (July 5 - Aug. 7) accommodates students who prefer mid-summer study. There are also several courses that meet from one to 10 weeks.

Sophomore Erin Joyner, who is enrolled to take Health Contemporary Society Online at Plattsburgh State this summer, said, "HED 311 will help me to complete my last General Education requirement course in global issues and lighten my work load for the following semester. I live four hours away and don't want to stay for the summer or go through the long commute so it's more convenient for me to complete my course online. Also I get to focus on one class instead of multiple courses."

For those students staying in the Plattsburgh area, on-campus residential halls within close proximity of classroom buildings are obtainable from May 30 to Aug. 7. Whiteface Hall, with its traditional residence hall setting, will be used for single or double housing. However, housing is only being offered for the second and third sessions of summer classes. For off-campus options, a list of summer apartment rentals is available at the Campus Life Office.

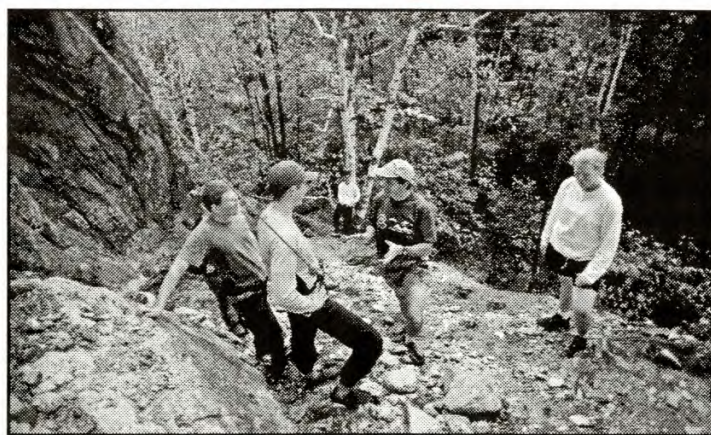
According to Adjunct Lecturer of Minority/Africana Studies, Lawrence Ziegler-Otero, his Afro-American studies class has surpassed the minimum 14-student mark all courses proposed have to achieve before it is an official course offered this summer.

"Summer sessions are different because in a regular section there would be 43 students while these brief sessions have fewer students which enable a more personal approach to discussions," Ziegler-Otero said.

According to Vicki LaBarre, marketing specialist in the Office of Lifelong Learning, general education courses are popular during the summer as is library skills. She explains that of the six library sections offered this summer, three are closed so far.

Online courses are also in demand because students want to go home and take courses. A lot of education master classes are closed out as are undergraduate education classes. It is the same for counseling courses and unique courses such as Rock Climbing and Sea Kayaking.

"Some benefits students get from taking summer sessions are getting ahead on course load, class sizes are



One of the offerings this summer is rock climbing through the Adirondack Experience.

smaller and there is more one on ones with professors," said LaBarre. "The majority of the students are juniors and seniors trying to graduate on time or early. Session A is popular because students get to earn three credits in three weeks and go home, but Session B has the most attending because most of the classes are offered then."

-- Kaidian Smith, communications intern

Summer Safari Adventures

Do you know a child who would love to learn about caves from around the world, the basics of improvisation through theatre games, or check out organ systems of the



human body? These and many more fun activities and classes are available at Plattsburgh State's Summer Safari 2004.

Beginning July 5 through Aug. 13, kids of all ages can explore the world of theatre, art, language arts, science, music and technology.

The intent of the Summer Safari is to offer educationally enriching and fun summer programs for children. Instructors are recruited for their knowledge in specific subjects and their desire and ability to work with children.

According to Kathleen Chilton, conference director for CAS at Plattsburgh State, the program has been around for 18 years and utilizes some professors and staff as well as local educators and craft people.

"Summer Safari is a popular program for kids," Chilton said. "People clamor for this; they wonder what's going on for the summer."

The non-residential enrichment program for kids is funded by participant fees. For more information, contact CAS at 564-2035.

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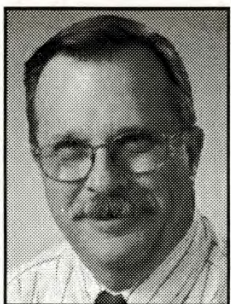
Hill Named Dean of Education, Health and Human Services

Dr. David S. Hill has been named the Dean of Education, Health and Human Services at Plattsburgh State.

Hill, currently the dean of the Professional and Graduate Studies Division at Keene State College (N.H.), will assume his new duties beginning July 15.

Dr. Robert Golden, provost and vice president for academic affairs at Plattsburgh State, said Hill's experience at Keene State College should prove very useful in the leadership role in the Division of Education, Health and Human Services. (The Division of Professional Studies will be renamed the Division of Education, Health and Human Services effective July 1.)

"There are many demands being placed on our graduates as teachers, nurses and other professionals in today's society," said Golden. "David Hill has demonstrated his ability to lead these professional programs as they prepare graduates to lead challenging and rewarding lives. His experience and skill will be great assets for Plattsburgh State."



Hill

Hill said he was very pleased to be joining Plattsburgh State in such an important role.

"The faculty and staff I met at SUNY Plattsburgh exude an excitement about the changes occurring on campus and are particularly enthusiastic about the future of the programs in the division. They are intent on providing their students the best possible preparation for work in the professions. It will be a pleasure to be part of the division," said Hill.

As dean, Hill will provide supervision for all academic programs in the division and work with approximately 70 faculty members to create a common sense of vision and purpose for the division. He will oversee the division's commitment to excellence and innovation in teaching and learning; assist in implementing and updating the college's Strategic Plan and assessment processes; and lead the faculty in increasing external funding for research and service.

He will also assist in successful external accreditation efforts for all programs within the division that require such accreditation; provide leadership for achieving and sustaining diversity in all aspects of

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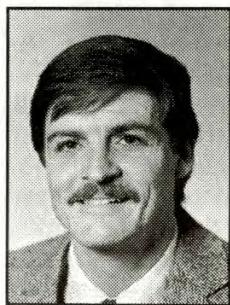
Dr. Bryan Higgins Named Director of International Education

Dr. Bryan Higgins has been named director of international education. Higgins is currently a professor of geography and planning at the College.

Higgins will begin his new role as director on July 1.

As the new director of international education, Higgins will be responsible for the oversight and coordination of international education in the areas of curriculum, student exchange programs and extracurricular programs promoting international education.

Dr. Robert Golden, provost and



Higgins

international studies. I'm looking forward to working with him on international education."

A major responsibility of the director will be continuing develop-

ment of a new major in international and global studies. Higgins will also serve as Plattsburgh State's representative to the State University of New York for international education matters.

Higgins will oversee the Study Abroad Program and the Southern Cone and Center for the Study of Canada offices. He will work with the Office for International Student Services to support international students on campus and will serve as an advocate within the community for

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FOCUS Calendar Thursday, June 10 - Sunday, June 27

For information on weekly meetings and other upcoming events, check the Plattsburgh State Web Calendar at: <http://banweb.cc.plattsburgh.edu/banprd/plsql/events.calendar>

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

8 a.m. EDU432 Workshop, sponsored by Education Department. Sibley 308.

9:30 p.m. College Council meeting. Alumni Conference Room, Hawkins Hall.

3 p.m. Library Professional Development. Feinberg 108.

FRIDAY, JUNE 11

8 a.m. CVES Graduation Ceremony, sponsored by Outside Agency. Angell College Center Warren Ballrooms.

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

9:30 a.m. EDR514B, sponsored by Education Department. Sibley 200.

10 a.m. Library Professional Development, sponsored by Library & Information Services. Feinberg 129.

MONDAY, JUNE 14

12 p.m. Law School Exam, sponsored by Academic Advising Department. Yokum Hall 208.

4:30 p.m. PDE Course, sponsored by Professional Studies. Hawkins Hall 153B.

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

5 p.m. American Management Association Graduation, sponsored by Lifelong Learning. Angell Center Cardinal Lounge.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

4:30 p.m. PDE Course, sponsored by Professional Studies. Hawkins Hall, Room 153B.

THURSDAY, JUNE 17

8 a.m. EDU432 Workshop, sponsored by Education Department. Sibley 308.

8 a.m. EXPLORE Obesity Conference, sponsored by College Auxiliary Services. Angell College Center. Registration information available through CAS, 564-2035.

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

9:30 a.m. EDR514B, sponsored by Education Department. Sibley 200.

10 a.m. Library Professional Development, sponsored by Library & Information Services. Feinberg Library 129.

MONDAY, JUNE 21

4:30 p.m. PDE Course, sponsored by Professional Studies. Hawkins Hall 153B.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23

11 a.m. Child Care Board Meeting. Angell College Center Meeting Room 8.

4:30 p.m. PDE Course, sponsored by Professional Studies. Hawkins Hall 153B.

THURSDAY, JUNE 24

12 p.m. Orientation Advisement, sponsored by Judicial Affairs Office. Angell College Center.

FRIDAY, JUNE 25

12 p.m. Orientation Advisement, sponsored by Judicial Affairs Office. Angell College Center.

1 p.m. Transfer Orientation Session 1 (family), sponsored by Judicial Affairs Office. Angell College Center Plattsburgh Room.

4 p.m. LIB Proficiency Exams, sponsored by Library & Information Services. Feinberg Library 108.

8 p.m. Transfer Orientation 1

(student), sponsored by Judicial Affairs Office. Angell Center Plattsburgh Room.

SATURDAY, JUNE 26

8 a.m. Literacy Comp Exams, sponsored by Education Department. Sibley 308.

9 a.m. Summer Orientation, sponsored by Student Affairs and Enrollment Management. Yokum Hall 202.

12 p.m. Orientation Advisement, sponsored by Judicial Affairs Office. Angell College Center.

SUNDAY, JUNE 27

12 p.m. Orientation Advisement, sponsored by Judicial Affairs Office. Angell College Center.

3 p.m. Summer Orientation, sponsored by Student Affairs & Enrollment Management. Yokum Hall.

5:30 p.m. Summer Orientation, sponsored by Student Affairs & Enrollment Management. Yokum Hall.

7 p.m. Summer Orientation, sponsored by Student Affairs & Enrollment Management. Yokum Hall.

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College life; work closely with other academic and administrative areas; and assume significant responsibility for working with appropriate community and regional organizations, as well as with the State University of New York and other state offices.

Hill joined the faculty of Keene State College in 1985 as an associate professor. In 1991, he was appointed chair of the Education Department and served in that capacity for seven of the next nine years. He was appointed interim dean of the division in February 2000 and was later named permanent dean in June 2001.

Prior to joining Keene State College, he served as a classroom teacher in Bucks County, Pa.; an instructor and later assistant profes-

sor of special education at SUNY Binghamton; and associate professor and Education Honors coordinator at The Ohio State University.

He has served as a consultant to numerous public school systems and special education boards and associations. He co-authored the book, "Focus on Behavior Analysis and Education" (Charles E. Merrill, 1984) and has written a number of articles for selected journals.

Hill has also presented papers at a number of workshops and conferences and obtained several grants for projects related to higher and special education.

He holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from Allegheny College (Pa.) and a master's degree and a doctorate in special education from Temple University.

SBE Dean Search Update

The search for a new dean for the School of Business and Economics to replace Dr. Siamack Shojai, who left in November 2003, was unsuccessful this spring.

Provost Golden said, "Unfortunately, we were unable to find a candidate to match our specific needs for this position. We will recommence with the search for a dean early in the fall semester with a reconstituted search committee. I want to thank each and everyone of them for their assistance in this process."

Dr. Raymond Guydosh will continue to serve as interim dean until a new search has been successfully completed.

Laundry to Continue as Interim Vice President for Student Affairs

William Laundry, interim vice president for student affairs and enrollment management at the State University of New York College at Plattsburgh, will continue in his current position for the next academic year. The announcement was made by Dr. John Ettling, incoming president of Plattsburgh State.

Ettling said, "Bill Laundry took over the role as interim vice president in September 2003 and has done a marvelous job overseeing this important division. I asked him to continue in his present assignment through June 2005. Bill's continued leadership in student affairs will afford me the opportunity to settle in to my new position and to evaluate the many needs of the campus and direction for the coming years."

A search for a permanent vice president would commence during the next academic year. Laundry, who

has served as dean of students for the past seven years, said he was pleased to be asked to continue as interim vice president.

"Dr. Ettling will have many things to consider when he arrives on campus June 15," said Laundry. "I want to assist him in any way I can to help him transition into his new role as president of Plattsburgh State."

Laundry came to Plattsburgh State in 1969 as director of housing. He was promoted to director of residence life in 1976 and then director of campus life in 1980. He served as dean of students from 1996 to 2003 and was promoted to associate vice president for student affairs June 30 of last year.

Laundry is involved in many college-wide committees and community organizations. He holds a bachelor's and a master's degree from SUNY Albany.



Ashley Gambino reminisced about her Plattsburgh Experience as the student speaker during Spring Commencement on May 15. Gambino, a communication disorders and sciences major from Cortlandt Manor, N.Y., told classmates about the impressive quality of education they have received at Plattsburgh State. "Life as a Plattsburgh State student is more dual natured than anywhere else I have discovered," said Gambino. "We thrive on a bustling campus with activities, classes, events and jobs littering our day planners, but are nestled in the center of a quiet, leisurely city." More than 900 students were eligible to participate in Spring Commencement.



More than 180 faculty, staff and friends of Plattsburgh State, including Chancellor Robert King, gathered at a farewell dinner for Dr. John Clark, interim president, who was preparing to leave after his year of service to the College. The dinner, held in the Warren Ballrooms on May 12, was full of merriment and laughter. Making the way for the new president, Dr. John Ettling, Clark has been assigned a new post within SUNY -- he will be the interim president of SUNY Brockport starting on July 1. One of Clark's last official duties was leading the ceremonies at graduation on May 15. Dr. Ettling is expected to be on campus in mid-June.

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international education as a priority at Plattsburgh State.

Higgins joined the faculty at Plattsburgh State in 1981. He was promoted to associate professor in 1987 and to full professor in 1992. During his tenure at Plattsburgh State, Higgins has written numerous academic and planning publications and has been awarded more than 40 grants for research projects.

Higgins received his bachelor's and master's degrees as well as his Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota. He also conducted some of his graduate work in psychology at John Hopkins University in Baltimore, Md.

While at Plattsburgh State, Higgins has served on many campus committees including the Strategic Planning Committee, the

Planning Council and the Advisory Council for Lifelong Learning. He received a Fulbright Research Award in 1988 and has been a fellow in the Institute for Ethics and Public Life at Plattsburgh State. The courses he has taught include cultural geography, Latin American cities, geography on Montreal and global planning principles to name a few.

Web Researchers Find Disturbing Results About North Country Sites

A team of communication researchers at Plattsburgh State has published data showing that the majority of communities in the Adirondack-North Country do not exhibit online identities attractive to visitors and investors.

In a study appearing in the spring issue of the *Adirondack Journal of Environmental Studies* (AJES), the Community Web Visibility (CWV) project team reveals that many North Country communities have paid little attention to their online identities.

The team, consisting of Dr. Jonathan Slater, Dr. Elizabeth Bernat and Timothy Cluke, all assistant professors of communication at Plattsburgh State, looked at more than 1,400 Web pages connected with 48 North Country communities. They found that less than 20 percent of the Web pages were created at the community or grassroots level. The remaining 80 percent of the pages were created by external agents outside of the community (i.e. www.hotels.com, e-history.com, e-podunk.com and dinnercoupon.com, to name a few).

In the article titled, "Libraries, Lakes and Liposuction: An Exploratory Content Analysis of Adirondack-North Country Communities' Web Identities," the team concludes that a great deal of the communication that searchers retrieve from the World Wide Web about local places is mainly the result of external commercial interests without coherent connections to those communities.

"After searching for general information about North Country communities on the Web, one would hope to come away with some sort of impression of those communities," said Slater. "But with the overwhelming majority of the Web pages being generated

by external agents, the identities of the North Country communities are being fashioned by those from the outside. In the end, the hometown flavor of these communities is missing from the Web."

One of the objectives of initiating communication at the community level is to promote local economic development. The second major finding of the study showed that of the 1,400 Web pages studied, 65 percent were relevant to economic development. However, if the users were to navigate through these sites, most often the search yielded no returns and effectively disabled any potential for economic gain. The conclusion of the study showed that only 18 percent of the 1,400 Web pages were produced locally and added to economic development in the North Country.

The research group presented its paper and findings to the Adirondack Research Consortium Conference in Saranac Lake on May 26. The group is now in the second phase of this ongoing study that began four years ago.

The CWV project team - under the auspices of a Presidential Research Award from Plattsburgh State - will soon begin a pilot project to provide in-depth Web profiles of three key tourist communities in the region.

Bernat said, "As our communities consider the importance of their Web identities and plan self-promotion in this new communication landscape, it will become imperative that they fully appreciate the relationship between their online presence and their ability to stimulate economic development. Quite clearly, a small handful of communities have already made use of the rich resource of the Web - the difference can be seen within 10 minutes of searching."

Spotlight

on faculty and staff

Dr. Deborah Altamirano, associate professor of anthropology, participated on a panel on Forced Migration in an Age of

Restriction, and presented a paper, "Immigration and the EU in a Post 9/11 World: An Open and Shut Case," with a specific focus on immigrants in Greece, at the annual meeting for the Society for Applied Anthropology in Dallas, TX, in April.

Dr. Karen Blough, assistant professor of art, has been awarded the first Rabin Fellowship in Judaic Studies at Plattsburgh State. During her fellowship, she will develop

the course, "History and Historiography of Jewish Art: Antiquity, the Middle Ages and the Renaissance." The fellowship carries with it a summer stipend plus additional support for travel and funding for library purchases.

Dr. Gary Brannigan, professor of psychology, co-authored an Assessment Service Bulletin published by Riverside Publishing (A Houghton Mifflin Company) titled, "Innovative features of the Bender-Gestalt II and expanded guidelines for the use of the global scoring system." The Bulletin is a supplement to the *Examiner's Manual for the Bender-Gestalt Test, Second edition*.

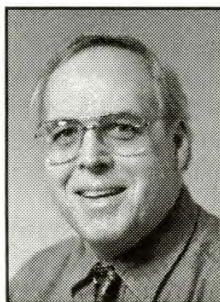
Dr. Susana Yu, assistant professor of economics and finance, has had her manuscript, "Looking Back: Quantitative Analysis Before Computers," published in the Spring/Summer 2004 issue of the *Journal of Applied Finance*.



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